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## Mayor calls for talks with government minister over future of hospital beds

### CLLR ROWLAND WANTS JEREMY HUNT TO MAKE A 'DIRECT INTERVENTION'

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SEATON mayor Cllr Jack Rowland wants to meet the Secretary of State for Health Jeremy Hunt face-to-face in London to seek his "direct intervention" in the hospital bed situation.

The Seaton mayor also wants MP Neil Parish to be at the meeting.

The move follows last month's decision by

Devon County Council's Health and Adult Care Scrutiny Committee not to refer the hospital bed closure decision to the Health Secretary.

A last minute switch by NEW Devon Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) saw a decision to close beds at Seaton Hospital and retain beds at Sidmouth Hospital.

The decision process has been described as "flawed", which is why campaigners wanted the county council to ask the Secretary of State for Health to take a close look.

But members of the Health and Adult Care

Scrutiny Committee voted 7-6 not to refer the matter.

Seaton town and county councillor Martin Shaw said in his monthly county report: "When I stood for [county] election in May I promised to fight for the beds in Seaton and Honiton community hospitals.

"Sadly, on July 25th, the committee decided not to refer the closures to the Secretary of State.

"The committee basically abdicated its scrutiny role and blocked a referral without discussing most of the objections which had been raised.

"We are considering a complaint about how the meeting was handled."

Councillor Rowland tabled a motion for Seaton Town Council's meeting on August, 7th, which said: "Seaton Town Council is concerned by the decision taken by the DCC Health and Adult Care Scrutiny Committee on July 25th to not refer the CCG decision to close the hospital beds in Seaton Hospital to the Secretary of State for Health for a review.

Representatives from this council seek an urgent and direct meeting with MP Neil Parish and the Secretary of State for Health Jeremy Hunt to seek the latter's direct intervention now in view of the flawed decision-making process used by the CCG."

The motion was passed unanimously.

If a meeting is granted, it was decided that councillors Martin Shaw and Marcus Hartnell should accompany the mayor.



■ SEATON mayor Cllr Jack Rowland wants to meet face to face with the health secretary

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# New wildlife trust president named

PLYMOUTH University academic and TV geologist Professor Iain Stewart MBE has been revealed as the new president of top local conservation charity Devon Wildlife Trust.

Prof Stewart is only the third person to take on the honorary role since the conservation charity was founded 55 years ago in 1962.

His appointment was made after a unanimous decision by Devon Wildlife Trust's 15 strong board of trustees.

He succeeds Prof Ian Mercer CBE, the eminent conservationist who had held the position from 1985 until his death in September 2016.

Prof Stewart spent a recent visit to Devon Wildlife Trust's Wembury Marine Centre find-

ing out about the work the charity does for local people and nature. Prof Stewart spoke of his new role as the trust's president: "It's a tremendously exciting opportunity. Wildlife conservation is fresh territory for me and it's going to be a big learning curve, but it will allow me to indulge myself in all the things I loved as a kid – the natural world and a sense of adventure.

"I thought a lot about whether to take this role up with Devon Wildlife Trust. I said yes because the charity is local to me. They are right in my neighbourhood. But I also said yes because for a lot of people wildlife is an entry point to something much bigger. There's an

overlap between people who are interested in wildlife and issues in my working world such as climate change."

The geologist, who is director of the Sustainable Earth Institute at Plymouth University's School of Geography, Earth and Environmental Sciences, joined pupils from Coombe Dean Secondary School, Plymouth, on a guided rockpool safari to discover the wildlife which lives in Wembury's many tidal pools. Among the group's finds were shore crabs, pipe fish and cushion stars.

Prof Stewart said: "Spending time with these young people you can see there's loads of energy, it's just buzzing. One of the best things about this kind of event is that it provides really simple excitement from being outdoors and exploring nature.

"It's the kind of thing I did as a child and I also did it with my kids on this very beach. You get the sense that the children here today don't think they are learning science, they are just having fun, which is fantastic.

"Devon Wildlife Trust is an exemplar as to how you can combine good science and a passionate membership, with effective decision making. I'm proud that I am now to be a part of it."

Devon Wildlife Trust chairperson, Dr Peta Foxall, joined Prof Stewart on his visit and welcomed the news of the appointment.

She said: "I am delighted that Iain has accepted the board's invitation to become president of Devon Wildlife Trust.

"Iain's knowledge and expertise as a geologist and his infectious enthusiasm for the subject means that he will be a great ambassador for the work of the trust."

Harry Barton, Devon Wildlife Trust's Chief

Executive, spoke of the role Prof Iain Stewart would now take up.

He said: "I'm absolutely delighted about Iain's appointment, as I am sure will be our 31,000 members and our many other supporters.

"Iain is a brilliant communicator and has turned audiences on to geology all over the world through his TV series, such as How Earth Made Us. I have no doubt that he will be a wonderful advocate for our work too.

"Wildlife and wild places remain Devon's best assets but they face some serious pressures today. I'm so pleased that Iain has agreed to become our president and help us champion their cause."

## Warning over soft toys

CONSUMERS buying soft toys for young children are urged to follow advice from The Devon, Somerset and Torbay Trading Standards Service (DSTSS) after some failed safety tests.

The warning comes after 40 per cent of toys tested by Trading Standards failed seam tension tests.

Tension tests ensure that a soft toy is strong enough to endure regular use by a child without coming apart.

In total samples of 15 soft toys, selected at random from a mixture of high street, online and market retailers were seam tension tested under laboratory conditions.

Six of the 15 failed, indicating that they may not be safe for use by young children.

The retailers and manufacturers have withdrawn them from sale. The test purchasing was part of the service's routine market surveillance.

Devon, Somerset and Torbay Trading Standards Service recommends that when buying a soft toy, consumers should check the age warning on the packaging.

Toys not suitable for children under 36 months must display a warning because they may contain parts which could cause significant harm.

Always ensure a CE mark is on the toy or packaging before you buy. All toys, including 'free' toys that come with magazines or food purchases must display this and it shows that the toy meets legal requirements.

## Man dies after being hit by train at Crewkerne Station

A MAN has died after being struck by a train at Crewkerne on the evening of Monday, August 7th.

A spokesperson for British Transport Police said that emergency services were alerted at 11.13pm to reports of a man being struck by a train at Crewkerne Station.

The spokesperson added: "A 56-year-old man was taken to hospital but sadly died as a result of his injuries.

"It is not treated as suspicious and a file is being prepared for the coroner."

The last train of the Monday – the up train from Exeter St Davids – was cancelled as a result, and part of the first service the following day was also cancelled.

Services returned to normal by 10.20am on the Tuesday.

• RAIL services through Crewkerne were disrupted on Monday, August 14th after a vehicle struck a bridge near the station.

Engineers were at the site to check the bridge, and South West Trains said services through the station could be delayed or revised until 6pm.

Trains from London stopped and turned around in Yeovil.

Replacement road transport between Yeovil Junction and Exeter St Davids was arranged.

The condition of the driver, and any passengers, of the car which struck the bridge was not known at the time of going to press.

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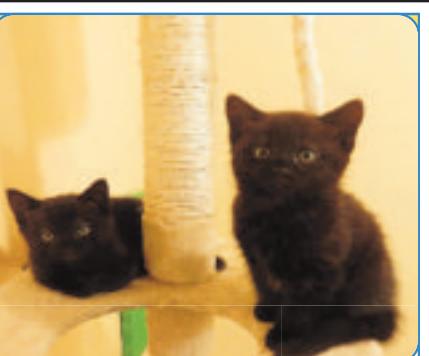
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# Citizens Advice meet with council to make case for future funding

OFFICERS from East Devon's Citizens Advice (CAED) charity joined East Devon District Council's scrutiny committee at its most recent meeting last month to explain how it provides a much valued free

service to the community.

The council contributes more than 35 per cent of CAED's income and the committee were keen to hear how that contribution is being spent.

The Scrutiny Com-

mittee heard from CAED's chairman, the Chief Operating Officer for Strategy and Development, and the Chief Operating Officer for Operations about the work undertaken by CAED.

Scrutiny members

were unanimous in their support of the incredible work undertaken by the CAED, mostly by highly skilled volunteers, in assisting those in need with all kinds of issues.

These range from help with benefit applications and dealing with personal debt, to employment needs and housing needs.

The committee felt that the service was fully accountable and extremely good value, considering the level of service that it provides on the limited income it receives from the district council, as well as from councils at county, town and parish level.

Many committee members shared CAED's concerns about the impact that the introduction of Universal Credit could have on its services and hope that it will be possible to encour-

age more income from the existing regular contributors to the service.

In conclusion, the scrutiny committee made the following recommendations:

- That Cabinet requests an investigation into a longer term arrangement for grant funding in order to give more security to the CAED, such as a three-year agreement with an inflation increase as per previous grants (for reasons of providing more stability in the service with funding commitment);

- That the council is kept informed of the progress of review of the CAED and is actively involved as a stakeholder

Commenting on the positive meeting between the scrutiny committee and CAED, committee chairman Councillor Roger Giles said: "The scrutiny com-

mittee recognised the invaluable work of Citizens Advice and wished to ensure that East Devon District Council continues to fully support its work in what are difficult times for many people."

## Police appeal after A35 collision in Kilmington

POLICE are seeking witnesses to a serious collision near Axminster last week that closed the A35 for six hours and which left four men injured.

Emergency services were called to the A35 at Kilmington at 2pm on August 10th following a collision between a blue VW Passat and a red Chevrolet Corvette.

The Corvette driver, a 57-year-old man from Wellington, and a male passenger both sustained serious injuries and were airlifted to hospital where they remain in a stable condition.

The Passat driver, a 63-year-old man from Swanage, and a male passenger sustained less serious injuries and were taken by ambulance to Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital.

Local units as well as officers from the Roads Policing Team and Serious Collision Investigation Unit attended the scene.

The road was closed for six hours while officers carried out a forensic examination of the scene.

Police are appealing for witnesses and appealing for anyone with information to contact police via 101@dc.police.uk or by phone on 101, quoting log number 0485 of 10/08/17.

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# Support for @Home service

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raise money for the service, which is run by Seaton & District Hospital League of Friends.

SEATON Friends Hospiscare @ Home was presented with a very generous cheque for £600 by organisers of Whitford Summer Show.

Local residents had supported coffee mornings to

ated what the nurses were doing. Seaton & District Hospital League of Friends are trying to raise the profile of Seaton Friends Hospiscare @ Home and the League so that people in this area can continue to receive the care of these wonderful nurses for many years to come."



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## New plans to build on Fremington Road

THREE dwellings could still be built on land in the grounds of West Rising on Fremington Road, Seaton.

Outline planning permission was given in 2014, but expired on August 8th this year.

But East Devon District Council has received a new application, which effectively seeks to renew the previous consent.



## RBL launch in Beer

THE newly-formed Royal British Legion branch in Beer will be officially launched on Saturday, August 19th in the Congregational Church.

Doors will open at 10am, with an official ceremony outside the Congregational Church at 11.30am.

From 10am there will be refreshments, a display of military history from the village, and local lacemakers will show off their skills.

SEATON town councillor Carmel Chadwick would like the Underfleet speed limit to be reduced to 20mph.

Councillor Chadwick has tabled a motion to that effect, also asking to have Underfleet bus stops moved into the coach car park.

Her motion will be heard at the council's September meeting.

## Parish council vacancy

BEER Parish Council has a vacant seat and anyone interested in the role can contact a serving member of the council or the parish clerk at [clerk.beerparishcouncil@googlemail.com](mailto:clerk.beerparishcouncil@googlemail.com)

Those interested can also attend the next meeting on September 5th in the Balcony Room of Mariners' Hall.

## Buffs' summer fayre next week

YE RATTENBURY Lodge of the Royal Antideluvian Order of Buffaloes will hold its annual coffee morning and summer fayre at Mariners' Hall in Beer on Saturday, August 26th from 9am to 12 noon.

All produce is welcome, home cooking, fresh fruit and veg, bric-a-brac, books and many more items.

If you are donating, please contact Les Andrews on 01297 21377.

The appeal fund this year is for the British Lung Foundation. All are welcome.

# Red squirrel supporters dine on grey counterparts at fundraiser

**Peter Hodges**

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ESCOT House played host to a fundraising dinner organised by Red Squirrel South West (RSSW) where grey squirrels – often blamed for the decrease in numbers of their red counterparts – were on the menu.

It was the first event of its kind held by RSSW for eight years, attracting 115 guests to the stately home at Escot Park near Ottery St Mary.

The gourmet dinner was designed and prepared by pri-

vate chef, Tim Maddams. Tim, who is also a writer, cookery teacher and presenter, previously led the team at River Cottage, Axminster.

He regularly appeared on both the Channel 4 River Cottage series and the Fish Fight campaign.

Tim's unique menu for the evening included 'Escot grey

flightless partridge, tomatoes, herbs, pasta, and old Winchester cheese' – a dish prepared using grey squirrels.

A raffle raised over £1,000 whilst an auction, which included a day sail in a private yacht in the Solent, a behind the scenes tour of Wimbledon and an Aston Martin driving experience, raised over £3,000.

The grand total raised from the event for RSSW was in excess of £8,000.



DINERS at the fundraising meal

## Busy time for Ottery twimmers

IT'S BEEN a busy summer for Ottery St Mary Twinning Association, including celebrating the 40th anniversary of their association with Pont-l'Évêque in France.

The association also recently visited Cranbrook's summer fair, where they had a crepe stand with the sole purpose of promoting 'Twining' in Devon'.

Members forged good relations and will be returning in October with friends from Ilsfeld in Germany for a presentation by the chairman of Cranbrook Town Council.

At the annual church summer fair in Cadhay on Saturday, August 26th, the association is once again manning their crepe stand.

Ottery St Mary Twinning Association chairman, Mark Rix, said: "This is one of our main fundraising events, warmly supported by our members. We would love to see you there; do look out for our stand."

The bi-annual visit from German twin town Ilsfeld takes place from September 30th to October 4th. This will be the ninth time that Ilsfeld has visited Ottery, the first being in 2001.

There will be 32 guests coming this year, including their mayor, Councillor Thomas Knoedler.

Fourteen twinning host families have agreed to accommodate the guests during their visit with an interesting programme arranged to entertain them during their stay in Ottery.

Events include the formal reception at Otter Nurseries featuring an evening's entertainment, the morning service at Ottery St Mary Church (where, at the end of the service, the 'Ilsfeld Twinning Choir' will perform two anthems) and a visit to Plymouth returning via the scenic route across Dartmoor.

New twinning association members are always welcome; if anyone would like to join, contact Mark Rix on markrix@talktalk.net

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**TV reporter author gives talk**

SIMON Hall, a familiar face on TV screens as the BBC Crime Correspondent for the South West, was welcomed to Ottery St Mary library for a talk on his latest book.

Simon's latest book is a crime thriller, *Justice Mirror*, and he provided an insight into how he develops his plots, characters, and dialogue.

Simon, **pictured right**, told the audience about how writing can, at times, be a lonely existence but he particularly enjoys 'people-watching' as part of his research, mentioning that the audience might not be exempt from these kind of observations!

He talked about how the principles of justice can mean different things to different people, depending on their own life experiences, and read a brief extract from his book.

He added that he refrains from including science, swearing, slop (blood and

gore), and sex in his writing but creates humour in the relationships and scenarios of what are, nevertheless, crime thrillers in which a TV reporter and a detective work together to solve a series of crimes.

Simon also entertained the audience with a number of anecdotes about life as a BBC reporter.

Tricia Doherty, a member of the library's friends group, said: "Simon's light-hearted manner, and amusing storytelling revealed his dry sense of humour and made it an excellent and entertaining evening."

Senior Librarian Jane Cordy said: "We organise a wide range of events in the library for all ages, with lots of things for the children in the summer."

"Author talks are always popular and we are particularly pleased to attract a speaker of Simon's calibre and to hear the thinking behind a book."

# New X-ray equipment

THE timetable for buying and installing new state of the art X-ray equipment at Axminster Hospital is taking shape.

Earlier this year it was announced that Axminster Hospital League of Friends had agreed to donate £65,000 – half the cost – towards the equipment.

The league has since announced that a site meeting will take place on August 17th with all interested parties attending.

League spokesperson Ann Veit said: "Shortly after this meeting the order will be placed with AGFA, the chosen provider."

"There is then an eight to ten week lead time to delivery. Work on the room will begin just before the expected delivery date allowing everything to dovetail together and minimising shutdown time."

"During this essential shutdown of the X-ray department at Axminster, services will be provided at Honiton, Sidmouth and Seaton."

"Believe me it will be well worth the wait to have state of the art X-ray equipment in Axminster Hospital."

She also reported that staff in the Dermatology Clinic, which runs all day on Tuesdays, have asked if the league could purchase a dermatoscope for use in the clinic. The dermatoscope is an instrument for viewing moles and other skin cancers to help determine what they are.

Ann explained: "Currently there is not one at Axminster Hospital and Dr Ibrahim, who runs the clinic, has to borrow one from the Heavitree Hospital and bring it with her."

"The league has agreed to pay for this instrument, which costs about £1,300, to ensure continued efficient working of this very valuable department."

"The order has been placed with the suppliers. Thank you to everyone who supports our endeavours."

League of friends chairman Dr Phil Taylor and trustees have also said thank you to those who attended the AGM in June, and to those who have renewed annual subscriptions.

Ann said: "Without your support we would not exist and could not support the hospital in the many ways we do at the moment."

# Duck race raises £500 for heritage group

MORE than 600 plastic ducks raced down River Corrie at Dalwood when Axminster Heritage held a fundraiser on Saturday, August 5th.

A total of 645 ducks entered with the winning number 528, owned by Tina Herbert.

Andrew Moulding of Axminster Heritage said: "I think we could have sold more ducks if we'd more of them."

The event raised about £500 for Axminster Heritage.

**Results:** 1st (£50) – 528, Tina Herbert; 2nd (£25) – 610, Ursula Steer; 3rd (£10) – 488, Norman Copland.

*Photos by TREVOR MACE*



■ A CREAM tea, organised by Axminster Young Farmers' Club, raised more than £4,000 for good causes.

The event was held on Sunday, July 23rd at Colcombe Abbey Farm, by kind permission of the Voysey family.

The aim was to raise money for three charities: Sands (which supports people affected by the death of a baby), CLIC Sargent (the children's cancer charity) and Moorvision (supporting those caring for a child or young person with a visual impairment).

It turned out to be a very successful event, and Axminster YFC Secretary Alice Gay said: "We cannot thank all the local businesses and people who supported this event with raffle prizes and donations enough."

"The event was a great success and we managed to raise a fantastic £4118.34."

"We were overwhelmed with the amount of people who turned out for this event despite the weather."

"There was a really nice atmosphere on the day and it was great to see a full marquee. Thank you so much to everyone who supported us."

## Young Farmers' cream tea helps three charities



## Two people hospitalised after gas leak

TWO people were taken to hospital after a suspected gas leak at Cridale in Axminster.

People in three adjoining properties felt unwell, and the ambulance service was called at 8.32am on Monday, August 14th.

A spokesperson for the ambulance service said: "There were two casualties, both were taken in to the RD&E. We attended with two ambulances, one rapid response vehicle and our Hazardous

Area Response Team."

The conditions of the casualties were not disclosed.

Fire appliances from Axminster and Lyme Regis and a supervisory officer were mobilised about two hours later.

A spokesperson for the fire and rescue service said: "Fire service attended and checked inside and outside the properties with gas detection equipment. No readings of hazardous gases were found."



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# Quacking good time had by all in Weston

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More than 2,800 ducks start the race along the River Otter



HONITON Lions have raised around £3,000 for local charities after running yet another successful duck race.

Hundreds of residents descended on The Otter Inn in Weston, on Sunday (August 13th) to watch thousands of rubber ducks bob their way down the river, with a whole host of prizes on offer.

All prizes were kindly donated by supporters of the Lions, and the top eight finishers all went home with a prize.

Chilcotts Auctioneers donated £150 for first place, which went to Chris Lyle all the way from Bournemouth.

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Other winners are still being sorted and contacted but Honiton Hearing Centre donated £100 for second place and Layzell Funeral Services gave another £100 for third.

Howdens Joinery of Honiton sponsored fourth place £75 and Otter Brewery gave the first top four winners gift packs.

MKM Building Supplies supported fifth place with £50 vouchers for the store and Peter Betteridge, The Bed Expert donated £25 for sixth

place. The Otter Inn gave the seventh placed finisher a meal for two, while 8th place received £25 from Harts of Honiton.

The last two ducks home were also given a prize.

A spokesperson for the Lions said: "We would just like to thank everyone who made it along to the race and everyone that bought a ticket."

"The money will go towards helping young people's mental health in East Devon, a cause that we all agreed was worthy of support. It was a fantastic day, and thank goodness for the weather."

**VISITORS** gathered at the finish line to see if their duck would be home first



HONITON Lions were there at the end to make sure none of the ducks escaped under the bridge



For Lights at Christmas and for the Community all year round

## Tug-of-War – Team Entry Form

We will be holding a Tug-of-War competition at Millwey Community Field (the former Millwey Rise football pitch opposite Cloakham Lawns) on Saturday 9th September, 5pm – 9pm. Teams must be made up of 6 adults (16 or over) or 6 juniors (aged 8 to 15). Teams must be available from 5.30pm on the day. Entry fee is £12 per team and there will be various classes.

### Rules and Conditions:

- Teams are to be made up of 6 pullers.
- Please wear appropriate footwear. Studded boots and wellies are acceptable.
- The Judges decision is final.
- This contest is being held as a charity fun event; only people who consider themselves to be physically fit should enter.

By signing this entry form you are accepting responsibility for your own safety, Light Up Axminster and the organisers of the event accept no liability for any injuries sustained whilst performing in the competition. Each form must contain at least one signature when submitted, any missing signatures will be required prior to competition, as will the £12 entry fee.

Please complete the form below and return to:

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Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

| Name | Signature | Age (if under 16) |
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Additional Entry Forms available from Axminster Library, The Heritage Centre or email: admin@lightupaxminster.co.uk

HOT on the heels of The Cherry Fayre and ahead of an Autumn Tea Dance in The Guildhall, Light Up Axminster continue their own brand of community fundraising towards the town's range of Christmas Events (including a Lantern Parade, a Festive Market and of course a brilliant Lights Display) with a Tug Of War party on Saturday September the 9th at Millwey Rise's old pitch in Chard Road opposite Cloakham Lawns.

There will be a number of classes and it's hoped that not only will bunches of mates take-up the challenge and enter teams of six (at £12) but also local businesses including perhaps pubs, banks, solicitors, estate agents, coffee

shops and eateries. Most interesting will be the prospect of a local football team or two putting the honour of their Club on the line. Who wouldn't relish a pull between the Risers and the Tigers?! Or maybe even Firsts versus Reserves from the same Club.

There will be a bar and a bar-b-q along with music not to mention something for the children too during the event which starts at 5pm and is scheduled to draw to a close around 9pm.

Whether you're a regular tugger such as a Young Farmer, an enthusiastic amateur or a curious spectator you'll be very welcome at Axminster's very own, Tug '17!

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# Search for musical cow-star

AXMINSTER Drama Club is on the lookout for a very special four-legged beast for their production in September.

The group is looking for a cow to catapult over the ramparts when they perform *Monty Python's Spamalot* and, despite exhaustive searches, they've so far only managed to find miniature mooers rather than oversized oxen to do the job.

Lady of the Lake, Nicky Sweetland, said, "Despite living in a rural setting and the fields being full of cows, we've really struggled to find a replica daisy that we can use."

*Spamalot* has become a popular show for non-professional drama companies up and down the country.

The musical is based on *Monty Python and the Holy Grail* and its well-known story, anarchic humour and catchy melodies (including the Python favourite 'Always Look On The Bright Side of Life') has made it a real hit with audiences.

A professional production of the show will once again embark on a UK tour later this year and hundreds of societies have already signed up for the right to perform it in their area.

The one drawback of presenting the hilarious comedy musical for local groups is that it can be costly in terms of

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both costumes and set, with many clubs having to hire in props and specialist armour to make sure the Knights of the Round Table look their best.

Axminster Drama Club however, is blessed with some very talented set designers, so the castle battlements and Trojan Horse-style rabbit are not a problem, but finding a soft or inflatable cow, which can safely be flung during the famous French scene in which the battle cry 'Fetchez la vache' rings out, is proving more tricky to source.

Nicky added: "Looking for a special cuddly cow has turned into our very own quest and we're hoping someone will be able to help us 'Find Our Grail'.

"If you happen to have a life-size or large Friesian cow lying around that you wouldn't mind us tossing, please get in touch."

● AXMINSTER Drama Club is performing *Spamalot* at Axminster Guildhall from September 28th until October 1st.

If you can offer any help with props or costumes, or if you would like to buy tickets, email Nicky Sweetland at [nicky.sweetland@gmail.com](mailto:nicky.sweetland@gmail.com) or find her on Twitter @NickySweetland



■ AXMINSTER Drama Club needs some bovine assistance with their latest production

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## facebook FEEDBACK

LAST week's story on Bovis Homes requesting planning conditions on their Cloakham Lawn development to be relaxed has generated much reaction on Facebook.

**Reuby Doobe:** Rabbit hutches are slightly better constructed than your average Bovis home. Trust me, I worked for them for a year... they just want to make as much money as possible at the expense of the contractor or the hutch buyer. Been taking the p\*\*\* in East Devon long enough.

**Matt Craker:** If they couldn't see the slopes, watercourse and leisure centre at time of purchase and outline approval, they clearly are employing the wrong people. Typical greed to be expected by a developer who only has its board and shareholders in mind. I'd love to meet the stuffed shirt that did the feasibility study on the town and then thought it could sustain a development of this size without doubling the 106 requirements for affordable homes, leave alone reducing it.

**Andy Cobbold:** Unbelievable – yet again Bovis wriggle. I don't know of one development where they have not reneged on agreed planning and EDDC fall for it every time. Build better quality homes with real tradesmen and you will sell what you build. EDDC should make them build the low cost housing first before a brick is laid for the profit making houses.

**Ross Moughton:** I wouldn't live in one of their houses if you bought it for me! Rough is an understatement.

**Meg Devine:** Good riddance to them. Does anyone know if they have sold houses with leases on to bigger fish who then push hefty fees onto buyers year after year? Making people's lives a misery and homes impossible to sell?

**Ian Tye:** They got away with not building affordable homes in Seaton. I expect they try not to on all developments!

In response, a spokesman for Bovis Home told *Pulman's View*: "We are proud to be building new homes and creating jobs in Axminster and have looked to support local businesses and organisations in and around the town during our work there, developing some excellent relationships in the process.

"For instance, we have raised more than £9,000 for Axminster Hospital League of Friends. All of our houses at Axminster are sold freehold, and feedback from our customers on the quality and design of their new homes and the customer service they have received has been excellent – with a positive response score of more than 86 per cent since the start of 2016 in an independent customer survey from the Home Builders Federation, which has risen to 100 per cent this year.

"The designs of the homes and the living space they offer can be viewed at the sales office which is open daily, and our local team there will be happy to answer any questions about the homes at Cloakham Lawns."

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# The force is strong

EXEWING Fundraisers held a successful day of events in the Mackarness Hall recently, raising more than £2,000 for local charity Hospiscare.

Hundreds of sci-fi fans arrived at the hall to be greeted by daleks, stormtroopers, Darth Vader, R2-D2 and K-9.

Special guest Jerome St John Blake, **pictured right**, who has had many sci-fi roles including the *Star Wars* prequels, was in attendance all day and chatted to attendees and signed autographs at Honiton Starbase.

On display were props, costumes and memorabilia from the world of sci-fi including original rare items from the original *Star Wars* and screen used props from *Doctor Who*.

There was a raffle, tombola,

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face painting and fridge magnet painting together with a shooting range and remote



control droids to drive; something for everyone to see and do.

A spokesperson for the Exewing Fundraisers said: "We would like to thank everyone who attended, donated or supported us this year and helped us to raise such a great total of £2,038. The Exewing Fundraisers are proud to support Hospiscare who do such a wonderful job of caring for people locally."

Their local co-ordinator Lianne Harding said: "Thank you so much to Honiton Starbase for supporting Hospiscare with this brilliant event.

"The money raised helps us to provide our outstanding care and support to local people with a terminal illness and those close to them."



THE Mayor of Honiton Cllr John Zarczynski and Town Crier David Retter with some stormtroopers



## Community day in Honiton

AROUND 500 people visited the Honiton Community Festival recently, where many local local groups held stalls and attractions.

A number of demonstrations were held throughout the day at the event which was held at Allhallows Playing Field.

These included displays by SYTL Karate – which included a very useful 'Stranger Danger' message – the SPS Kickboxing group who showed off their skills, the lively Honiton Twirlstars who put on a great performance and musicians from the Honiton Youth Orchestra who provided some great music for the event.

Officers from Wild East Devon made wooden necklaces, the Munchkins Minia-

ture ponies offered grooming and an opportunity to meet the ponies, the Devon Free-wheelers provided a wonderful BBQ with tasty burgers and hot dogs, and the Honiton Army Cadets displayed signs and posters in the street directing people to the festival ground. Bertie the bus made an appearance with the Honiton Lions and could be seen doing laps of the field with some very happy children riding along.

East Devon District Council community development worker Penny Hartnelli organised the festival and a great day was had by all.

Councillor Pauline Stott, chairman of East Devon District Council's Housing Review Board, said that the

event was a great success.

She said: "Our community development workers do a wonderful job to help the community bond together with everybody taking part.

"We have five such officers working across East Devon to help both young and old get something more out of their lives and the festival is a great example of the work they do."

Councillor Jill Elson, Portfolio Holder for Sustainable Homes and Communities, added her praise for the work of the council's community development workers.

She said: "They actively encourage young people to take part in activities to give them confidence so that they can make a positive contribution to their community."

## Full steam ahead for train station friends

AFTER several months of work, the Friends of Honiton Station group is finally up and running, with members saying it's full steam ahead for the project.

Following the installation of colourful planters at Honiton Railway Station in March to improve the main platform environment, a committee has been formed to take the group forward. The committee met for the first time at the end of last month.

Martin Long, who is a community member of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group for Honiton, was elected as chairman and secretary.

Town councillor Caroline Kolek and Stephen Craddock, a leading member of the Save Honiton Hospital campaign, explored a number of ideas and issues around the use of Honiton

station, including ways of improving the experience of people waiting for trains to arrive, the station environment and potential service improvements.

East Devon District Councillor Jenny Brown, town mayor Councillor John Zarczynski and town councillor and Tesco Community Champion Duncan Sheridan-Shaw make up the rest of the six-strong committee.

Councillor Caroline Kolek said she was delighted the community group is now up and running, having championed this towards the end of her second term as mayor.

The group is meeting again later this month to organise a public meeting to be held in the early autumn to engage with local railway users.

The group will be seeking volunteers to help with the work on

the station environment. They will also be seeking rail users' views about the present level of service.

Concerns have already been raised about the hour and 20 minute gap in services to Exeter in the morning rush hour, leaving a number of people opting to drive instead.

Chairman Martin Long said: "Friends of station groups have proved popular and successful elsewhere, including other stations on the line to Waterloo.

"They give an opportunity for local people to get involved in improving their local station and to campaign for improvements to their local service.

"We have a well used station with helpful staff, but we want to see it get even better and become a real feature of our community."



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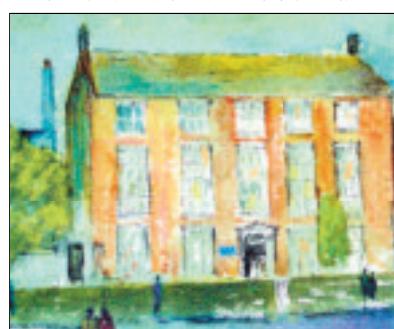
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# More than 200 people enjoy Beer Flower Show

BEER Flower Show attracted 370 exhibits and in excess of 200 visitors to Mariners' Hall. The show, held for the 92nd time, was opened by Monica Whyte, who has helped the village with its South West In Bloom entry.

Show co-organiser Ursula Makepeace of Beer and District Horticultural Society said: "We had 69 exhibitors,

**Anders Larsson**  
Chief reporter | anders@viewnews.co.uk

which is high considering the weather conditions this summer, and the strong winds just before the show which damaged quite a few flowers.

"The quality of all the exhibits was excellent and we are absolutely delighted that so many children came to ex-

hibit. We served the usual teas, coffees and delicious cakes.

"It was a buzzing atmosphere and altogether we felt we were visited by a happy bunch of people."

#### TROPHY WINNERS

Day Cup – Janet Morgan; Davis Cup (no entry); Laverack Cup (no entry); Mayer Cup – John Lang, King Cup (no ent-

ry); Witney Rose Bowl – Anne Robinson; Asquith Cup – Anne Gladstone; Jean Hill Cup (no entry); Thorn Cup (no entry); Nigel Morton Cup (no entry); Gold Jubilee Cup – Helen Tindall-Lister; Coronation Cup – Janet Morgan; Beer Allotment Shield – Kim Aplin; Dahlia Cup – Isabella Baldwin; Arthur Millar Cup – John Lang; Gunn Cup – John Lang; Gift from James Absalom for most outstanding exhibit in all classes – John Lang; Kenneth Richardson Morton Cup –

Monty Laptin; W. Bastone Cup – Ivonne Trudgen; Jean Davis Cup (no entry); Eyles Family Trophy (overall winner in children's classes) – Grace Duvall; Chambers Cup (class 106) – Elena Adkin; Chambers Cup (class 107) – Laila Hoskins; Otter Nursery Award (for children aged 6 and under) – Henry Hoskins; Beer Horticultural Society Shields – a) Henry Hoskins, b) Charlie Vine, c) Grace Duvall; Haynes Cup – Barbara Greaves; Self Cup – Audrey Tims; May Wak-

ley Cup – Shirley Pavey; Sperriin-Mayer Rose Bowl and Gift from Bay View Guest House – Fiona Peters; Wright Trophy – Audrey Tims; Peter Owen Cup (no entry); Makepeace Cup – Bill Grundy; Fore Street Cup – Maureen Taylor (for Beach House); Beer Lady with Most Points in Show – Janet Morgan; Beer Village Forum Shield – The Dolphin Hotel; Lewis and Jean Perkins Memorial Cup (for Best Vase of Dahlias in Show) – John Lang.

**CASTING VOTE:** Cllr Read is welcomed to the council by Seaton mayor Jack Rowland



SEATON mayor Cllr Jack Rowland's casting vote made Stephen Read a member of Seaton Town Council.

Three candidates came forward for co-operation to fill the seat vacated by Simon Polloni.

All candidates had been invited to promote themselves prior to the town council meeting on August 7th, during which councillors voted. The three candidates were Stephen Read, Daniel Ledger and Amrik Singh.

Mr Singh was eliminated after the first

round, and Mr Read and Mr Ledger drew the second round 5-5, so it fell to Seaton mayor Jack Rowland to decide through his casting vote.

He opted for Mr Read, a retired chartered quantity surveyor.

Mr Read moved to Seaton from near Chepstow, Wales, almost three years ago.

He stood as an independent and has a particular interest in coastal protection between Seaton Hole and The Chine.



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# Sunshine comes out just in time for Southleigh Fayre

RESIDENTS and visitors to Southleigh donned their wellies on Wednesday for the village's annual fayre.

Despite the wet conditions underfoot, the sun soon came out for the event which once again attracted large crowds for an afternoon of traditional countryside entertainment.

Stalls were set up around the field at Lees Farm and entertainment in the ring included duck herding, a display of vintage tractors, an appearance from the Axe Vale Hunt and the popular sheep racing.

There was also a dog show, live music, refreshments, bar and a barbecue, and the fayre ended with the annual tug o' war.



■ THE competitive sheep racing always proves a hit at Southleigh Fayre



■ NEW to this year's programme of entertainment was duck herding. Below, a display on vintage tractors in the ring and, bottom, the Axe Vale Hunt arrive



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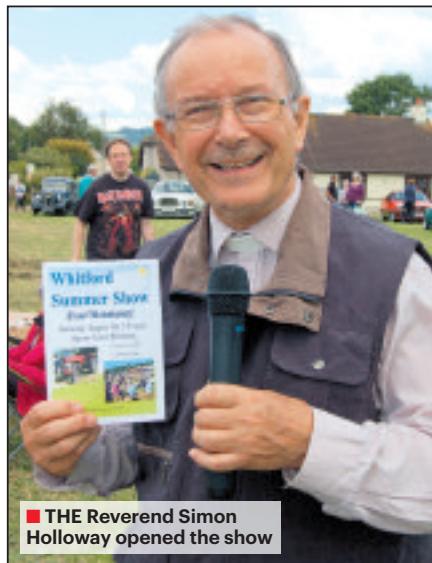


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# Bumper crop of entries at Whitford Show



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■ THE Reverend Simon Holloway opened the show



■ DOG show compere Mandy Poots, show chairman Maureen Davey, dog show judge Olivia Verplancke and dog Magic



■ BRIAN Brown exhibited his Triumph TR4A



■ CHARD Concert Brass in action



■ SHOW chairman Maureen Davey and her husband Mal celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary

THE 75th annual Whitford Summer Show took place on August 5th.

The results in the show's various competitions were as follows: Pole Cup (Open Sections, C and D) – Chris Loud; Dr MF Bridie Cup (Members' Sections, A and B) – Chris Loud; Committee Rose Bowl (sweet peas) – Christine Sansom; Fred Willmington Memorial Cup (arrangement) – Keith Mitcham, Earl Carter Cup (onions) – Chris Loud; Arthur Bliss Cup (veg) – Chris Loud; Moore Cup (flowers, Sections B and D) – Harvey Bell; Stokoe Cup (first time cup winner) –

Christine Wyatt; Colcombe Wood Rose Bowl (best rose) – Sheila Webber; Fil Loud Cup (best dahlia) – Martin Ward; Hallett Memorial Cup (gladioli) – Michael Gardner; Bakers Cottage Rose Bowl (children) – Loic Doussoux; Shute Hort Cup (arrangements) – Keith Mitcham; Shute Cup (cookery) – Emma Norris; Sylvia J Stunt Rose Bowl (handicrafts) – Mrs M Locke; Garden Shop Voucher (begonia) – Tony Widger; Whitford Shield (bake off) – Emma and Mike Norris / Kerry James and Matthew Church.

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# Traffic chaos at Stoney Lane? It's every day in the town centre

■ 'TRAFFIC chaos' (front page, *Pulman's View*, July 18th) is predicted due to the demolition of a house in Stoney Lane.

Drivers of cars or commercial vehicles will no doubt be greatly inconvenienced, and the time required for the safe demolition raised strong responses at the last town council meeting, as I witnessed.

A matter which raised concern but far less passion at the meeting was the regular daily traffic nightmare in the town centre.

Axminster residents, particularly those who need to walk to shops, library, GP and other facilities or work, particularly to and from the Chard Road end of town, experience gigantic lorries na-

vigating their way around Trinity House corner through to Chard Road, regularly mounting and damaging pavements to do so.

The proximity of these mammoth vehicles is terrifying, as they pass barely two yards away from pedestrians, churning out diesel fumes as they falter and shudder their way, particularly when they get stuck in other traffic.

What pedestrians are regularly breathing in doesn't bear thinking about. Unfortunately these toxins aren't visible.

Senior (i.e. EDDC and Devon county) councillors are said to have been working on a solution to this dreadful situation for years.

As many locals do not use

the internet or may simply prefer to look to the local paper for information on such matters, perhaps those in the higher council realms, where decisions are made, could provide the long-suffering residents of this otherwise charming award winning market town with something of substance, something hopeful, as to the current progress of all their work, beyond more years of arguments and no change.

Very few people ever attend town council meetings, but it's the only opportunity to see and hear the council in action, and to have your say in the public forum.

**KATHY HACKMAN,  
Axminster**

■ ON BEHALF of the Lions Club of Honiton and District, it was with regret that we had to take the decision of Friday lunchtime to cancel the Classic Car Day and associated entertainment (Honiton Charter Day, July 22nd) at Allhallows field due to unseasonal weather forecast. The predicted thunderstorms and the threat of steady rain throughout the day lead us to this conclusion.

Working in liaison with the Charter Day committee, and in view of the fact that the event was to be held on the playing surface of the rugby pitches, we had no alternative but to cancel.

We would like to thank all the people who were intending to support the event with stalls and all the vehicle owners for their understanding.

**HONITON LIONS CLUB**

■ THE recent campaign that Devon and Cornwall Police have carried out against anti-social driving in the area has to be highly praised.

These idiot drivers have been for a long time a dangerous menace to law abiding people of the region and these individuals have to learn that our roads are NOT their own private race tracks!

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**ERIC BOWMAN,  
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# Axminster: there are hills... and, yes, it might get wet!

RE: Axminster edition, front page, August 8th: 'Cloakham developers try to renege on commitments'

■ YOUR readers may be interested in this confidential document I have obtained.

It is the report of the surveyor commissioned by Bovis Homes to examine the site before they purchased the land in Axminster:

Dear Bovis Homes,  
Our surveyor has looked up Axminster on the internet and formed these professional conclusions:  
Devon is very hilly; East Devon is particularly

hilly; Axminster is in East Devon; There may be slopes; Devon is very wet; East Devon is particularly wet; Axminster is in East Devon; There may be flood plains and water courses; The proposed estate would block access to popular leisure facilities; There is a remote possibility that local people would still like to get to these

P.S Please send large cheque by return.

No wonder they have claimed such unforeseen additional costs!

**JON PRATT,  
Chardstock**

## LDF: Thank you for your support during Axminster street collection

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This year, we held a street collection in Axminster on July 28th and our collectors, Maggie Dunn and Julia Johnston, raised £27.80.

All of the funds will go towards our work.

We would like to take this

opportunity to thank the people of Axminster for their kind and generous support in helping us with our campaigns.

For further information about our important work, please visit our website at [www.ldf.org.uk](http://www.ldf.org.uk) or call our office at 0207 630 3340.

**JAN CREAMER,  
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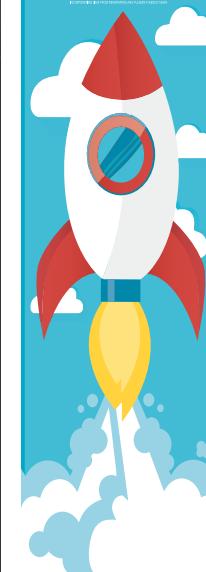
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#### Dogs

- Females; Bitches are spayed either before their first season or after their first season, which they normally have aged between six and twelve months. We recommend that you speak to a vet or nurse to decide when is the most appropriate time to spay your bitch. Bitches are usually in season every six months. If waiting until after the first season it is preferable to operate three months after she finishes her season.
- Males; Dogs can be castrated from six months old.

#### Cats

Females and males; Cats can be neutered from four months old.

#### Why neuter your pet?

##### Neutering can prevent many problems;

- Pyometra in bitches. This is a potentially fatal condition where pus accumulates within the uterus.
- Mammary tumours
- Testicular tumours
- Un-castrated or entire dogs can often get diseases of the prostate in later life or tumours of the anal tissue (anal adenomas)
- False pregnancy
- Pets wandering or straying
- Unwanted litters
- It may be helpful in some cases of dominance and aggression problems
- Urine spraying in tom cats

##### Risks associated with neutering;

- Occasionally incontinence can occur in some breeds of bitch
- In some breeds the coat can change texture



These risks can be discussed with your vet.

#### Other useful information

We recommend treatment for lungworm a week before any surgery. This is because lungworm can cause unexplained bleeding.

Weight gain is very common after neutering due to the reduced amount of energy needed by your pet. A special diet or current diet reduced by 30% is recommended.

In some dogs and cats one or both testicles fail to descend into the scrotum. This condition is referred to as retained testicles. It is thought to be hereditary and it is therefore not advisable to breed from them. Retained testicles can become cancerous, and often go unnoticed until the condition is well advanced and often involving other internal organs within the abdomen. We therefore recommend that all dogs and cats that have retained testicles be castrated. Your vet or nurse can give you more information about this.



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# Hawkchurch Fete

MONDAY 21ST AUGUST TO BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 28TH AUGUST

## *A great day out for all the family this Bank Holiday!*

As the August Bank Holiday draws closer, the final preparations are being made for Hawkchurch Village's Fete Week. For those of you that do not know this lovely village, it is less than 5 miles from Axminster, tucked away just off the B3165 between Lyme Regis and Crewkerne - SATNAV fans may like to know that the postcode for the village centre is EX13 5XD.

Even though Hawkchurch is a small village, there is a programme of events taking part not only on fete day itself, but throughout the week! Some are outside to enjoy the lovely August sunshine, others indoors (out of the way of those showers....).

The fete week kicks off on Monday 21st with the family beetle drive at 7pm in the village hall. Great fun for all the family from 3 to 93, £3 per adult and £1.50 child with prizes for the highest adult & highest child score of the evening. Refreshments included.

In the evening of Wednesday August 23rd, why not try your luck at Bingo? The doors open 7pm eyes down at 7:30 in the village hall. Various prizes, refreshments and raffle with a special children's bingo round part way through the evening.

Saturday 26th sees the Teddy Bear's picnic and parachute jump. Children are invited to make a parachute for their brave teddy with a prize for the best decorated parachute. Bring along your picnic, teddy and parachute to the church at 12:30. Judging is at 1pm before the teddies parachute off the church tower. For parachute instructions please contact Meeri on 01297 678 538.

Then Sunday afternoon (August 27th) has the companion dog show on the Hawkchurch playing field. Entries from 1:30pm, £1.50 per pedigree classes £1 non-pedigree with judging starting at 2pm. Does your dog have the waggiest tail, or are you the best



young (U16) handler? For queries/schedule please contact Christine 01297 678 498.

Sunday evening has a songs of praise service in the church from 6pm - raise the roof with song! Take a look at the beautiful Roses window on the left (behind the font) as you enter the church.

The Highlight of the week, the annual fete, will take place on Monday August 28th at 2:00pm on the playing field in the middle of the village. The grand raffle will be drawn just after 4:00 - this year the beneficiaries are Devon Air Ambulance and The Project. In the main ring entertainment will be provided by Xtreme Falconry

and Karizma Majorettes. Professor Bumble will be entertaining the children, there will be a vintage car display for the grown ups and WYSIWYG will be providing the music. There will also be a variety of stalls including bouncy castle, face painting, glitter tattoos, skittles, coconut shy, plants, crafts etc. The church tower will open up during the afternoon (weather permitting) with beautiful views over the valley for those agile enough to climb the old spiral stone staircase. Back on the playing field, teas, cakes, bar and BBQ will be available all afternoon- so come along and join all the fun this bank holiday weekend in Hawkchurch.



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# Complaint was 'part of a political smear'

**RE: Colyton Villages Plan Investigation**

I AM very pleased that the complaint against me has been dismissed – I fully expected it would be.

Given the timing and the way the allegations were brought into the public domain, I believe it was part of a political smear campaign.

I was the Conservative candidate for Seaton and Colyton in the county council elections on May 4th, standing against the East Devon Alliance candidate, amongst others.

The complaint was made directly to the police, rather than to the East Devon District Council monitoring officer, the usual procedure.

The complaint would have been confidential, and yet Councillor Cathy Gardner, leader of the East Devon Alliance, knew about the investigation and asked a question at the full council meeting on April 26th.

This put the matter in the 'public domain', which allowed the group to give details of their complaint to the press.

The meeting that I spoke at was the EDDC Strategic Planning Committee on February 20th. I was not a member of that committee, but had been asked to represent Colyton Parish Council's views, along with the other ward member.

The committee was not deciding a planning application; it was considering a review of the built up area boundary around the old factory site of CeramTec, in Colyton. This company recently closed their Colyton branch with the loss of 80 jobs.

The parish council were very keen to preserve some of the site for employment use; it is fundamental to Colyton's future employment/housing balance.

It would be very interesting to know who made the complaint to the police and how Cllr Gardner knew about the investigation.

Why was it raised at the full council meeting, when it should have been left to the police to investigate and report back? Who gave details of the allegations to the press?

This was co-ordinated and timed so that I had no chance to reply. Members of this group have a record of making complaints and being negative.

Criticising but having no constructive alternatives to offer in return gets us nowhere and does nothing for the residents of East Devon.

I can say no more at present because the matter is now with lawyers.

HELEN PARR,  
Colyton

## Tories put 'party before people'

THE closure of hospital beds in Honiton and other local hospitals is a direct result of the way people vote.

If you voted for Neil Parish, Sarah-Randall Johnson and Paul Diviani, you voted for bed closures and cuts in other public services – you, the Tory voters are responsible for the closures.

Neil Parish MP will never challenge Jeremy Hunt and neither will the DCC Tories

(Phil Twiss being an honourable exception), because at the end of the day they put their party before people.

My 94-year-old father is currently in a bed in Honiton Hospital prior to him returning home.

I can take my 93-year-old mother the short journey from her Honiton home to see him and have no problem parking.

If you voted Conservative

then you clearly want my father to be treated in Sidmouth or even Exeter, and are unconcerned that I would have to drive there, find and pay for parking and push my mother in her wheel chair at least half-a-mile to be able to visit him.

Tory voters: please reply and tell me why you voted for this?

JOHN BURGESS,  
Honiton

## What will our MP do now?

NEIL Parish MP warns that farm subsidies must be continued after Brexit (July 18th). Well, he would say that wouldn't he, presumably having benefitted from them as a former dairy farmer.

While there may be a case for targeted farm support payment, the £billions spent on subsidies now have little to do with producing food and everything to do with the size of the estate.

Basically, the bigger your land the more public money you get – 20 per cent of subsidies are paid to the richest people, including the royals, dukes, Saudi princes and billionaires who allow their land to be used for fracking, shooting and blood sports – all of which our MP seems to support.

Mr Parish blusters when he threatens that he 'will not allow' the subsidies issue to be sidelined.

As his voting record shows, he is a 99.9 per cent Tory loyalist (They Vote for You) including supporting the Health and Social Care Act which lies behind local bed closures and increased privatisation of our NHS by the CCG.

He gets worked up about subsidies to farmers but not about the effect of the Tory pay cap on

public sector workers who have had their standard of living drastically reduced over seven years.

In fact he and Hugo Swire have just voted against lifting the public sector pay cap on nurses, police, firemen, teachers, etc.

We have lost 40,000 nurses; staffing vacancies are a major cause of the closure of our Honiton maternity unit. Given his past pledges of support, what will our MP do now?

Will he posture and threaten to 'hold feet to the fire' as he did over the loss of our hospital beds?

When asked if he would lead a delegation of local organisations to the Health Secretary he went strangely quiet.

Will he speak out about his fellow Tories on the Devon County Council scrutiny committee who have refused even to refer the closures to Jeremy Hunt in defiance of local opinion?

They are obviously all hoping it will melt away. Not so – we shall remember.

TONY SIMPSON,  
Honiton

## Thanks for Hot Pennies support

WHAT must have been one of the largest crowds of the past 40 years enjoyed this year's Hot Pennies ceremony and I would like to convey my thanks not only to all those that came and joined in so enthusiastically but to those who made such a contribution behind the scenes.

As always our town crier, Dave Retter, provided a wonderfully decorated garlanded pole, indeed this seems to get better (and I

suspect heavier!) every year. The flowers are almost all from the gardens of local individuals and we are indebted to them for their generosity.

Thanks are also due to those who ensure the ceremony can continue in the face of ever more stringent regulations: Honiton Town Council, Lyn Hargood, Tony McCollum and his band of volunteer marshalls – assisted by the police – and Devon Freewheelers who

ensured all the signs were in place and taken down afterwards.

This year we are also grateful for support from Beviss & Beckingsale.

Last, but certainly not least, I would like to thank all the shopkeepers for their wonderful Hot Pennies window displays.

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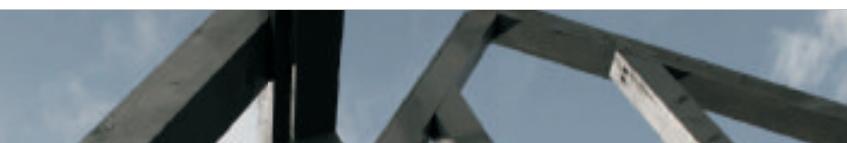
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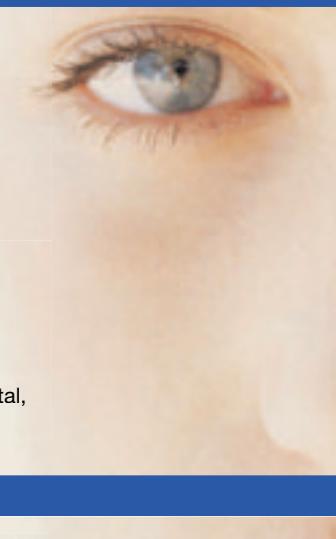
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# VIEW 2

## Arts society re-launched

THE ARTS SOCIETY flourishes in our area. Known until this year as the National Association of Decorative and Fine Arts Societies (NADFAS), it rebranded in May and changed its name. There are over 380 separate branches of the Society across the UK plus more around the world, all aiming to promote the arts and inform people who would like to learn more about them.

The South Somerset branch - The Arts Society Neroche South Somerset - meets very near The Seavingtons in the conference centre at Frogmary Green Farm, South Petherton, just down the lane that runs alongside the Lopen Raj restaurant. For anyone who isn't sure, Neroche was the name of a Norman motte and bailey castle in South Somerset's Blackdown Hills. The word has featured in the local Society's name since it was founded in 1973, the first NADFAS branch in south west England.

If you love the arts in their widest sense, you might like to join Neroche, both to enjoy its programme of events and to meet like minded local people. New members are always welcome and those who want to get a taster first can come along to up

to two lectures in any season, for a small contribution. Each season also features visits and in depth Study Days held at Monks Yard Ilminster, both open to non members if there are spare places.

This is a great time to consider membership as our new programme of illustrated lectures, delivered by experienced and nationally recognised experts, starts in October. We then meet monthly at 7.15pm, usually on the first Monday, until the following July.

Lecture one on October 2nd will be "Basingstoke and its contribution to World Culture". If that doesn't sound arts connected (we did say arts "in their widest sense") bear in mind that the lecture will take a light hearted look at one of the ugliest episodes in English architectural history while also revealing the older Basingstoke buried beneath the post war concrete, plus the few historic gems that have survived.

To find out more about the Society and its 2017-18 programme, please visit the website at [www.theartsocietynerochesouthsomerset.org.uk](http://www.theartsocietynerochesouthsomerset.org.uk) or email [info@theartsocietynerochesouthsomerset.org.uk](mailto:info@theartsocietynerochesouthsomerset.org.uk)



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## Sounds past and present

THE pleasure was indeed ours when Richard Monks returned to the Beer Wurlitzer to entertain us on Saturday, August 12th, writes *Merril Archer*.

Richard delighted his audience with a varied selection of music ably played, on the first Wurlitzer organ that was imported to this country. It was a fun afternoon with a varied programme which included some John Williams's film music (Star Wars) and tunes from ABBA. His rendition of 'A Bridge too Far' made me think that this instrument, with a competent player at its keys, is worth crossing bridges to hear however far away you live. Talking of those who travelled far, we were very pleased to welcome a couple from Holland who only arrived in Beer yesterday.

The organ was put through its paces and even a little Strauss filled the air showing the brilliance of the percussion instruments sounding from the organ chamber. Certainly the afternoon included something for everyone. Thank you, Richard.

The next show will be on Saturday, September 9th at 2.00pm, when the Friends of the Beer Wurlitzer are pleased to announce that Paul Roberts, A regular Broadcaster in the U.K. (including the BBC) and internationally, Paul has also appeared on TV in the U.K. and the USA and been a prolific writer for music journals and will be making his first visit to Beer.

Shows are held at the Congregational Church, Fore Street, Beer, EX12 3JQ - admittance is £7.00 on the door, children free, which includes interval refreshments. For further information please visit [www.beerwurlitzer.org.uk](http://www.beerwurlitzer.org.uk) or phone 01297 24892

## Spencer Jordan will pay tribute to his idol Buddy

HE'S BEEN hailed as the next best thing to Lubbock's most famous son and now Bedfordshire singer and Holly look-alike Spencer Jordan is coming to Axminster in 'I Can't Believe It's Not Buddy'.

Spencer is appearing at Axminster Guildhall for one night only on Thursday, September 7th with his band, the Copy-Cat Crickets. They have backed some of the biggest names in rock 'n' roll, including the Everly Brothers, George Harrison and the late, great Chuck Berry.

Spencer – whose twin brother Nathan is also in showbusiness – blames their father Terry for his life-long love of the legendary Texan singer and rock 'n' roll pioneer.

## Dalwood Fair

COME and join us for Dalwood Fair's 672nd Year! With something for the whole family it will be the perfect way to spend your day on Saturday, August 19th.

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He said: "I grew up hearing his records, my dad had them all. I've always been into 50s music, in fact the whole band are all real rockers at heart, particularly where Buddy Holly is concerned."

My favourite is 'Listen to Me', that's a beautiful record – and it's the one where you hear Buddy's speaking voice, which is very moving."

Spencer played in numerous rock 'n' roll bands when he was younger but only gave up the day job, in a mortgage office, five years ago. He's been touring with various shows ever since and is delighted to be in 'I Can't Believe It's Not Buddy'. He said: "Considering he sadly died in 1959, it's amazing how popular his music still is and it's a great honour to help to keep it alive."

Tickets are £17, available from the box office on 01297 33595 (Archway Bookshop, Axminster) or 01308 424901 (Bridport TIC), or visit [www.wegottickets.com](http://www.wegottickets.com)

## Win a pair of tickets to see 'I Can't Believe It's Not Buddy'

To be in with a chance of winning a pair of tickets to the show, simply answer the following question:

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Entries must be received by midday on Friday, September 1st. Winners will be selected at random. Please include a contact telephone number.

## Ilminster open winners announced

ILMINSTER Arts Centre's annual Open Exhibition got underway last week, with a grand prize-giving event on Monday, August 7th.

The exhibition is open to amateur and professional artists, and is on display at the Arts Centre throughout August. The exhibition is known for its eclectic scope, and this year over 130 pieces of art were submitted for the scrutiny of a judging panel of three well-known artists: Mark Beesley and Paul Newman (both previous winners of the competition), and Chris Ackerman (who is also a trustee of the Arts Centre).

The year's overall winner was Leo Davey whose painting 'Over the Edge, impressed the judges as "a strong, colourful image that is beautifully presented". Second

prize was awarded jointly to Marie Blake for her graphite pencil drawing 'Have your Cake and Eat It', and Philip Winstone for 'Formation I, (acrylic). The 3D prize was jointly awarded, to Liz Kent's sculpture 'Rusty Iron' (actually made of wood!), and Alice Mania's 'Cubist' (made from recycled materials).

Three artists Highly Commended by the judges were Andrea Clark, Jan Godfrey, Robert Hinton.

Judge Chris Ackerman, said "We were hugely impressed by the standard of entries - making judging difficult but very rewarding! Many congratulations to the prizewinning artists on their success in such a strong field. We would also like to thank Branston for sponsoring this prestigious event so generously - their sup-

port is appreciated by the Arts Centre, and the prizewinners."

Judge Paul Newman said "As a former winner, I know from personal experience how much taking part in the Open helped me as an artist, so it's a pleasure to return as a judge and support the work of other local artists."

As always visitors to the month long exhibition are encouraged to vote for their favourite artwork, with the winner of the 'Visitors' Choice' award joining the other winning artists in an exhibition at the Arts Centre in early 2018. Look out for the voting slips and the white ballot box.

The exhibition continues until Friday, September 1st, and is open 9.30am-4.30pm Monday to Friday, and 9.30am-2.30pm Saturdays. Admission is free.

## ABBA evening at Seaton Tramway



"MAMMA MIA, here we go again!" Seaton Tramway will host an evening of live Abba entertainment with the amazing tribute band 'Take A Chance On Us!' on Saturday, August 26th.

This top quality show has professional voiceovers, costume changes, choreographed dance routines and of course includes all the well-known and favourite ABBA Hits!

The tram departs Seaton at 7.30pm & the performance starts at 8.30pm. Food will be available to purchase on the night. Licensed Bar available at Colyton Station.

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## Read Easy Honiton

READEASY Honiton has presented another certificate to a Reader who has successfully completed one of their courses. Grant Haysom started the initial course 'Yes We Can Read' in March 2017 and has significantly improved his reading skills by completing the course. He has made such a success of this that he is starting work with his Coach on improving his writing.

Grant said about having had the opportunity to take the course, "I was not given the opportunity to learn to read at school, as my teachers seemed to ignore me and after a time I was left behind. It is just fantastic that I have now had this opportunity at my stage in life and it has made a huge difference to me, to what I am able to do and in particular to my confidence. I can't thank ReadEasy enough for opening this door on to a new world for me and I would definitely encourage anyone who struggles with their reading to give it a go. In particular I would like to thank my coach Lesley, who has been amazing".

Lesley, his coach, said "It has been an honour and a pleasure to teach somebody who has been so enthusiastic to learn and to see his confidence grow. I look forward to working with Grant on improving his handwriting".

Grant was presented with his certificate last Friday, 4th August, by the Chairman of ReadEasy Honiton, Colin Sherwood, at Honiton Library, where Grant received his training, with his Coach, Lesley Percival. Colin said, "It is wonderful to see people like Grant take up the challenge of learning to read in adulthood. It is not easy to put yourself forward and admit that you have this limitation to your life, so I admire greatly anyone who can do that. It is so gratifying for everyone involved, especially our Coaches, to see our Readers progress through the process and then make what is effectively a new life for themselves, and I am always proud when I have the honour of presenting certificates like this".

Grant is the fifth Reader that ReadEasy Honiton have seen complete their initial course, some of whom have moved on to learn to write or to advance to the next stage, which is called 'Moving Ahead'. Currently they have a further 8 people in the process of going through the initial course. Colin joins Grant in encouraging anyone over 18 who cannot read, or read well, to contact him on 01404 42130 or by email on [c.j.sherwood@btinternet.com](mailto:c.j.sherwood@btinternet.com), so that they too can make a life-changing decision. All ReadEasy courses

are free of charge.

Colin is also keen to hear from anyone who might like to join ReadEasy, either as a Coach or as a Management Committee member. Currently they have vacancies for a Secretary and a Co-ordinator, so if you think you may have the necessary skills then you can contact him through the above contact details for more information. In particular they would like to hear from anyone who has recent experience of teaching literacy and is familiar with current methodologies, and who can therefore advise the Committee on such issues.



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If you feel you can assist us then please contact Colin Sherwood for more information about the role on 01404 42130 or email to [c.j.sherwood@btinternet.com](mailto:c.j.sherwood@btinternet.com) for more details.

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# Diary Dates

## TUESDAY AUGUST 15TH

**AXMINSTER:** Cooking for One Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking for one and covering nutritional advice for type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At the United Reformed Church, Chard Road. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Hannah on 01297 631782 for more information or email hannah@halff.org.uk 11am-12.30pm.

**COLYFORD:** Bingo - Cash Prizes. In aid of Seaton Friends Hospiscare@Home. Doors open 7pm - Eyes Down 7.45pm. Colyford Memorial Hall. Ample free parking.

**CREWKERNE:** Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre - Questions answered and help provided. 10am to 12 noon, £2/£3.

**CREWKERNE:** Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and members usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.50 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

**CREWKERNE:** Henhayes Knitters. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm.

## WEDNESDAY AUGUST 16TH

**CREWKERNE:** Bingo - "eyes down" at 2.00pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games, cash prizes. Bar open, refreshments available, raffle.

## THURSDAY AUGUST 17TH

**AXMINSTER:** Music at the Minster: Lunchtime concert. Mosaic - song group. At the Minster, 12.30pm. Lunch at 1.05pm. For more details call 01297 32927. Donations towards the upkeep of the church.

**COLYTON:** Historical Walking Tours of Colyton. Every Thursday until September 28th at 2pm. Meet at the Dolphin Street Car park. Booking not necessary. £3 for adults, under 16s Free. To arrange a walk for a larger group please phone 01297 552514

**CREWKERNE:** English Folk Dance. St Bartholomew's Church Hall, Abbey Street, 8-1pm Every Thursday. £3.50. First visit free. For more details call 01460 77320 or 01460 75760.

**CREWKERNE:** Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre. 10-11am. £3.50 (members £2.50)

**CREWKERNE:** Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2 for members, £3 for non-members.

**CREWKERNE:** Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 2 - 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

**AXMINSTER:** Axminster Playdough Pals: Children's Activity on Minster Green with Axminster Heritage (children to be accompanied by an adult) Join us 10.30am - 1pm Axminster Minster Green EX13 5AH

## FRIDAY AUGUST 18TH

**CREWKERNE:** Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits, raffle. £2 per person. For details call 01935 415520 or 082866.

**CREWKERNE:** Special Lunch - see our advert. Lunch served at 12.30, Bar open 12 noon.

**DONYATT:** Meat bingo in aid of One plus one carnival club, at Donyatt bowling club. Doors open 7:00pm eyes down for 7:30pm. Raising funds for this years entry

## FRIDAY AUGUST 18TH - SUNDAY 20TH

### PUCKINGTON, NEAR ILMINSTER:

St. Andrew's Church Puckington Flower Festival, 10am to 5pm each day. The theme of the festival is 'The Gift of Music'. We will have fantastic organ music on the opening day. There will be refreshments and stalls on over the weekend. The Festival Church Service will be at 4.30pm on the Sunday. All very welcome raising funds for the up keep of our little church.

## SATURDAY AUGUST 19TH

**OTTERY ST MARY:** Carolyn King, local author and illustrator, reads from her own story about a little bee looking for adventure. Story time and colouring session for children aged 4 and up. Saturday 19th August at 11am.

**CREWKERNE:** John De Barra live at The Royal Oak Hideaway Bar, 9pm.

**AXMOUTH:** Axmouth Church Summer Fayre on Church Green. Morning coffee, light lunches, teas, 11am-4pm. Raffles, books, cakes, tombola, bric-a-brac, new & nearly new items, and many more stalls. If you would like to hire a table to sell your own items - please call 01297 20898 - £5. Entry 50p. For church and church charities.

**CREWKERNE:** Craft and Table Top Sale. Open from 9.30 - 1pm. Free Admission. Refreshments available.

# Clive Smith and His Arcadia Jazz Band to play at Lower Bruckland

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# South Sea Bubble to play live at Axminster Arts



▲ South Sea Bubble: Liz Pannell (violin) and Robert Wheaton (guitars & vocals)

AXMINSTER Arts would like to announce a change in their original programme. On Saturday, August 19th, they will be welcoming South Sea Bubble (NOT Black Coffee as previously advertised).

South Sea Bubble; Liz Pannell (violin) and Robert Wheaton (guitars & vocals) will be playing live from 11.00am - 1.00pm in the courtyard garden (indoors, if wet) at the Axminster Arts Café in Church Street Axminster EX13 5AQ. Their music comprises folk rock and Country covers from the 1950s to present day, plus their own material in the same genres.

Weekly Saturday morning free 'Music in the Garden' events comprise a cross-section of musical talents. Please see advert for remaining programme listing.

The Arts Café opening hours are 9.00 - 4.00, Monday to Friday and 9.00 - 3.00 on Saturday. Dogs on leads are welcome in the courtyard garden, where there is also plenty of space for cyclists' bikes.

## Axminster Arts Café

### Free Music in the Garden Events

Sat 19th Aug 11.00 - 1.00

South Sea Bubble: Rock, folk rock and Country covers from the 1950s

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**CREWKERNE:** Crewkerne Flower and Produce Show. Open to public 10.30 - 2.30. Admission 50p.

**KILMINGTON:** St Giles' Church Coffee Morning at The Acorn, Shute Road, EX13 7ST at 10.30 am. Come and enjoy a relaxing morning in the grounds overlooking the Axe Valley. Contributions for the cake/gift stalls & raffle would be much appreciated. Ample on road parking. If wet, in Village Hall. Enquiries 01297 34922.

**UPLYME:** Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society meeting, at Uplyme Village Hall, 7.30pm. Talk given by a speaker from Blackdown Poultry, on "Keeping Chickens in the Garden". Hens can be very useful in keeping down pests and diseases, as well as making good pets. Come along and hear how they can improve your garden and lifestyle, and maybe take on a rescued chicken or two? Members free, visitors £3, and tea/biscuits will be available both before and after the talk.

## SUNDAY AUGUST 20TH

**BARRINGTON:** Historical dance class at Barrington Village Hall, 1.30-4 pm (plus music practice 12.30-1.30). No partner needed, nor previous experience. £5. 01935 472771 or [thedancingmaster@outlook.com](mailto:thedancingmaster@outlook.com).

**SEATON:** John De Barra live at Eyre Court, 4pm. **AXMINSTER:** Axminster and District Horticultural Society talk from Dinah Lindon-Critchley on 'Vegetables for small spaces'. 7.30pm. Non-members £1 each, members free. Refreshments available.

**UPLYME:** Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society coach trip to RHS Rosemoor Flower Show. The coach leaves Uplyme Village Hall at 9:15am and costs £16 - £3 extra for non-members. There may still be places available - ring Rose Mock on 01297 34733.

## MONDAY AUGUST 21ST

**LYME REGIS:** Black Ven Poetry Workshop at the Pilot Boat Inn, 11am-1pm. £10 a session or £6 if you attend Apothecary or Vittles & Verse. A gentle workshop thinking about poetry and connecting creativity to nature.

**CREWKERNE:** Crewkerne Awareness August Meeting with guest speaker Ruth Freya on 'Spirit Guides'. At the Meeting Room, Unitarian Chapel, Crewkerne. 7pm - 9.30pm. Admission £2.50 (Includes Light Refreshments). Everyone Welcome. Further details telephone Anastasia 01460 351019

**HAWKchurch:** Family Beetle Drive at Hawkchurch Village Hall at 7pm. Adults £3, Children £1.50. Family fun - who will complete their beetle first on your table and move up? This is part of our fete week celebrations. All welcome. The hall postcode is EX13 5XD. For Beetle Drive queries please contact Anne 01297 678295

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**SMEATHARPE:** Monthly Whist Drive, 7.30pm. Good prizes and raffle, in aid of hall roof funds. For more details call 01823 601296.

## TUESDAY AUGUST 22ND

**YEOVIL:** YouCanSing informal music session. At Lockwood Court, Stilby Road 2-4 pm. £3. For people with and without disabilities. Info: 01935 472771 or [thedancingmaster@outlook.com](mailto:thedancingmaster@outlook.com)

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# Choral Society rehearsals

SEATON Choral Society will hold its first rehearsal of the autumn season on Wednesday, September 6th at Seaton Methodist Church, 3 Valley View, Seaton EX12 2JN, starting at 7.20 pm.

This is free to anyone who would like to come along, have a sing, and decide whether to join, with no obligation to do so should they feel it is not for them.

We shall start work on a wide ranging programme of the music to be performed at our Christmas concert in December, including pieces by Bach, Elgar, Mozart and others, and ending with a selection of carols. Leading us will be Ian Crew, our dynamic new Musical Director who back in May led the society through an exhilarating performance of Carmina Burana.

Music will be provided and it is hoped that singers of all voices will come along and test the water! The ability to read music is a great bonus but not essential – present membership covers a wide range of experience and many have learnt to sight-read from scratch through the very enjoyable medium of choral rehearsal. The atmosphere is friendly and positive, and newcomers will be warmly welcomed. For full details contact the Secretary on 01297 24266, email [seatonchoralsociety@gmail.com](mailto:seatonchoralsociety@gmail.com), visit the website [www.seatonchoralsociety.co.uk](http://www.seatonchoralsociety.co.uk) or Facebook page @seatonchoralsociety

# Scrumpty & Western



DORSET'S favourite cider-swilling musicians Skimmity Hitchers head to the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis for what is sure to be a toe-tapping foot-stomping evening of entertainment this Friday, August 18th.

With their unique blend of humour filled original hits and razor sharp parody songs based around the people, culture and (most importantly!) cider of the West Country, this popular band know how to work a crowd and give a good time wherever they go. Audience participation and spontaneous shenanigans are strongly encouraged!

The band will be supported by Glastonbury's quirky folk-pop trio John D Revelator.

Frontman and kazoo wizard Tatty Smart says "We're huge fans of Lyme Regis and the town features in a number of our songs. We've played here a number of times and always get an enthusiastic crowd who love getting involved, so we'll be expecting more of the same at the Marine Theatre!"

The band have hit the headlines on more than one occasion; from a guerrilla gig at the Houses of Parliament supporting farm workers to becoming the first Scrumpy & Western band to play in the USA. Locally they have brought fame to the Cobb and steep hills of their favourite seaside town with their Elvis parody "Viva! Lyme Regis".

The bar will be open for drinks and snacks from 7pm while the fun kicks off at 8pm.

Tickets: full £15, concessions £13. Tickets can be bought from the Tourist Information Centre tel 01297 442138 (10% booking fee applies) or online at the website [www.marine-theatre.com](http://www.marine-theatre.com)

# Fishing in beautiful surroundings

STILLWATERS LAKE is a beautiful lake situated in the heart of the Yarcombe Valley at Moorhayne farm owned by Michael and Caroline Ford.

The lake was built nearly 20 years ago and was intended to be used as a quiet fishing area where those interested in having an away from it all fishing day can come and enjoy the peace of the area away from the rushing world.

Michael Ford says that you cannot hear a car from any major road but you might from time to time hear an aeroplane or the singing of every type of country bird.

The lake is one acre and is designed so that no more than 3 people fish it at any one time. If a family wishes to take the lake then there is an exception in that all the family who come can fish. Michael Ford is very ready to give lessons to young people who up to the age of 12 can come and fish for half price and very often no charge is made if the child shows keenness. It is quite possible for disabled fishermen in wheelchairs to fish and there are facilities near by.

The lake is approximately 1 acre in size and has a small fishing hut, barbecue and comfortable chairs which people can use, so the wife can come for her afternoon out while the husband fishes.

The lake has some wild brown trout, some blue trout and some reared brown trout but mainly



there are rainbows. "It is strange that they all seem to live together because I thought that rainbows killed other species" says Michael Ford however by the returns of fish every kind is caught.

Visitors are warned to use 10lb breaking strain of gut because some fish are running up to that size and over.

The lake is open from February to December and there is a rule that people should telephone before coming to book (the majority do on 01404 861284)

Michael Ford welcomes people who wish to take the whole lake for a session to themselves at no extra cost because he understands how important it is to have uninterrupted peace when fishing.

Stillwaters has a fresh water stream flowing through it and has sparkling water. There is a boat that can be used as well under supervision.

Corporate bodies are welcome to entertain their guests.

For further information please contact the address above or ring on 01404 861284 to book your day, half day or evening session.



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**WEDNESDAY AUGUST 23RD**

**HAWKCHURCH:** Bingo at Hawkchurch Village Hall 7pm, eyes down 7:30. This is part of our fete week celebrations and is raising money for the village hall. All welcome. The hall postcode is EX13 5XD. For Bingo queries please contact Brenda 01297 678327

**CREWKERNE:** Bingo – "eyes down" at 2.00pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games, cash prizes. Bar open, refreshments available, raffle.

**THURSDAY AUGUST 24TH**

**AXMINSTER:** Music at the Minster: Lunchtime concert, Iain McDonald - baritone. At the Minster, 12.30pm. Lunch at 1.05pm. For more details call 01297 32927. Donations towards the upkeep of the church.

**COLYTON:** Historical Walking Tours of Colyton. Every Thursday until September 28th at 2pm. Meet at the Dolphin Street Car park. Booking not necessary. £3 for adults, under 16s Free. To arrange a walk for a larger group please phone 01297 552514

**CREWKERNE:** English Folk Dance. St Bartholomew's Church Hall, Abbey Street, 8-1pm Every Thursday. £3.50. First visit free. For more details call 01460 77320 or 01460 75760.

**CREWKERNE:** Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre, 10-11am. £3.50 (members £2.50)

**CREWKERNE:** Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre – 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2 for members, £3 for non-members.

**CREWKERNE:** Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 2 – 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

**FRIDAY AUGUST 25TH**

**CREWKERNE:** Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits, raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 862866.

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**AXMINSTER:** Axminster By the Loom: A Spinning and Weaving Craft Event. Join us for a fun and sociable morning 10am – 1.00pm. All levels very welcome. Axminster Heritage Centre, Silver Street, EX13 5AH Information 01404 831207 or from The Heritage Centre.

**FRIDAY AUGUST 25TH - SUNDAY 27TH**

**MISTERTON:** Misterton Biennial Flower Festival at St Leonard's Church, 10am-5pm each day, admission free. Theme: 'A night at the Movies'. For more details call 01460 78430 or 75025

**SATURDAY AUGUST 26TH**

**SIDMOUTH:** Dancing with the Dancing Duo Henry & Jeannie. Theme 'Caribbean Night' at Stowford Centre (A3052). 8-11pm. Free parking. Bring your own snacks. Tea/coffee and biscuits provided. Pay on the door £6.

**OTTERY ST MARY:** Ottery St Mary Community Market at The Institute, Yonder Street, 9.30am-12.30pm. Free admission. Lots of local crafts and produce created and grown by local people. Meet, chat and enjoy some refreshments.

**AXMOUTH:** Axmouth Church Tea & Cake Afternoon, 2-5pm. Teas served in church. Stalls, raffle, books, bric-a-brac, tombola, nearly new items etc. On the Church green. If you would like to hire a table to sell your own items, please call 01297 20898 £5. Entry 50p. For church charities.

**HAWKCHURCH:** Teddy Bear's picnic and parachute jump 12.30 outside St John the Baptist Church in the centre of Hawkchurch. Decorated parachutes will be judged at 1pm and then teddies will parachute from the church tower. This is part of our fete week celebrations. All welcome. The nearest postcode to the church is EX13 5XD. For parachute instructions please contact Meeri on 678 538

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**SIDMOUTH:** Sidmouth Society of Artists 'Open Air' Charity Art Exhibition in aid of FORCE and Kennaway House. At Connaught Gardens, Peak Hill Road, 10am-5pm. Free admission.

**SIDMOUTH:** Sidmouth Lions Club Great Book Sale. 9.30 am to 12.00 noon at St Teresa's Church Hall, Vicarage Road (at corner of Connaught Road), EX10 8TW. Hundreds of Good Quality Books and CDs/DVDs to choose from at very reasonable prices, plus Cakes Stall and Coffees/Teas provided by Lions' Ladies. Entrance fee (50p per person) includes a cup of coffee. All proceeds in aid of Sidmouth Lions Club's charity activities.

**SUNDAY AUGUST 27TH**

**SIDMOUTH:** Pete Allen's Reeds Hot Four with Sinead McCabe (vocalist). At Kennaway House Cellar Bar. Featuring Pete Allen (clarinet), James Clemas (piano), Richie Bryant (drums), Dave Hanratty (bass). £13.50 on the door. 3-5.30pm (doors 2pm). Licensed bar, light snacks available. Car parking nearby.

**SEATON:** Seaton Carnival Committee Classic Vehicle Show, 10am-5pm. In conjunction with Jaguar Enthusiasts Club. For more details call 01297 22109 or 07711 817233.

**HAWKCHURCH:** Companion Dog Show on the Hawkchurch playing field. Entries from 1:30pm, judging starts 2pm. £1 / £1.50 per class. This is part of our fete week celebrations. The nearest postcode to the field is EX13 5XD. For Dog Show queries/schedule please contact Christine 01297 678498

**HAWKCHURCH:** 'Songs of Praise' in St John the Baptist Church in the centre of Hawkchurch at 6pm. Raise the roof with song! This is part of our fete week celebrations. The nearest postcode to the church is EX13 5XD.

**MONDAY AUGUST 28TH**

**HAWKCHURCH:** Hawkchurch Village Fete from 2pm on the playing field in the beautiful village of Hawkchurch. Traditional village fete with stalls selling a variety of items, games of chance, a bouncy castle, and a grand raffle. Music, majorettes, a children's entertainer and a falconry display provide entertainment throughout the afternoon to keep all the family amused. The nearest postcode to the field is EX13 5XD. For more details please contact Ruth 01297 678354

**AXMINSTER:** Axminster Movies on Mondays: Swallows & Amazons From Arthur Ransome's novel, the story of children on their holidays in the Lake District and their battle to set up camp on an island. 2pm Doors open at 1.30pm Light refreshments Tickets £4 Advance booking 01404 831207 or from The Heritage Centre. The Bradshaw Meeting Room, Axminster Heritage Centre, Silver Street, Axminster, EX13 5AH

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# Pulman's Property View

The key to finding your perfect home



## 5 TOP IMPROVEMENTS TO BOOST YOUR HOME'S VALUE

By Julia Gray, Press Association

If you want to add value to your home, which improvements will make it nicer to live in and more attractive to buyers when you come to sell?



1. Adding space is one of the best ways to improve your home and increase its value. If you've outgrown your home and can make it bigger by building an extension or converting the loft, cellar or garage, doing the work is often more economical than moving to a larger property. Plus, it gives you a chance to create space tailored to your needs. However, be careful not to extend your home in the wrong way. For example, if you're converting the loft to create an extra bedroom and there isn't enough living space downstairs for the total number of bedrooms, you'll be making the house too top heavy. If you're concerned about resale, ask local estate agents whether the work you're considering is advisable.

2. Modernising a home stuck in a different decade is always going to add value and make it nicer to live in. Central heating is a key home improvement because most of us want it, but installing it is expensive and disruptive, so it's something to do at an early stage of a renovation. The same applies to rewiring - old wiring isn't always obvious, but it can be dangerous. Having a property rewired is also expensive and disruptive and can create more work and expense because you often have to plaster afterwards.

3. It's often said that kitchens and bathrooms sell homes, mainly because updating them is costly and it's not easy being without either while the work's being done. Day to day, replacing a dated kitchen or bathroom with a modern one will make a big difference to your life, and

you can fit a new one inexpensively, although it's not hard to spend a lot. If you're able to create one, an open-plan kitchen-diner/family room is the most popular type of kitchen these days, as it's ideal for family life and entertaining.

4. En suite bathrooms and shower rooms are another good way to add value and make your home life easier. You should have at least one bathroom for every three bedrooms, but when everyone's getting ready in the morning, there can be a lot of pressure on that bathroom. This is when an en suite is very handy. It's also useful to have a bathroom or shower room on every floor where there are bedrooms, so, for example, a loft-conversion bedroom with an en suite is usually more useful and valuable than one without.



5. In places where parking space is limited, off-street parking is a big plus and most likely to add value in expensive urban areas. You may need planning permission for off-street parking and for a dropped kerb (to access the off-street parking easily), although the former can often be done without planning permission if you use permeable materials or have other drainage - see the interactive house at [www.planningportal.gov.uk](http://www.planningportal.gov.uk) or ask your local council.



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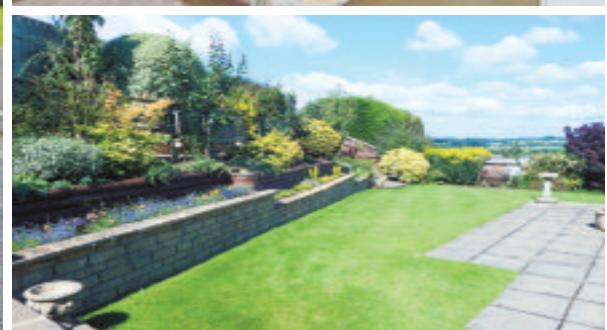
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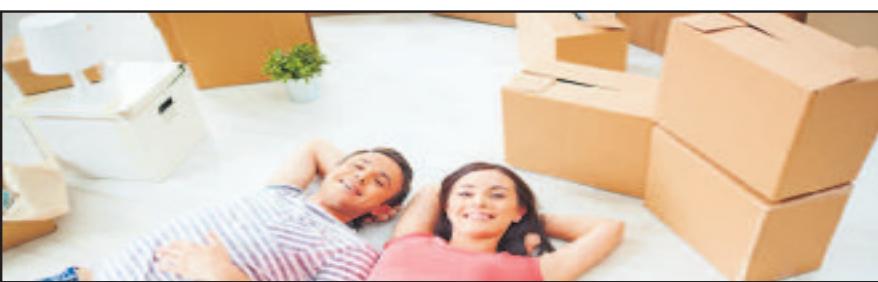
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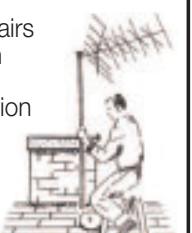


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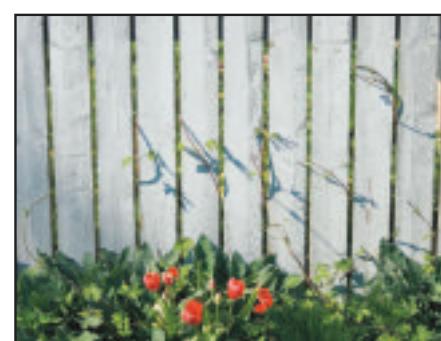
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# Honda reveals fresh look and new engine option for Jazz supermini

THE new-look Honda Jazz has been revealed ahead of the 2017 Frankfurt Motor Show. As well as updates to the exterior styling and interior trim, the new Jazz will also be available with a 130 PS (96 kW) 1.5-litre i-VTEC petrol engine for the first time in Europe.

Exterior changes align the Jazz with the latest Honda family style, incorporating the 'Solid Wing Face' headlight signature and grille. The front bumper is sharply sculpted, with more aggressive contours around the air vents. At the rear, shallower grille sections are linked by a gloss black trim strip above a trapezoid lower section. Updates to the exterior are rounded off by the addition of metallic Skyride Blue as a new colour option.

Honda's 130 PS petrol engine combines high output with low fuel consumption, and complies with stringent Euro 6 emissions stan-

dards. It achieves fuel economy of 52.3 mpg and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from 124 g/km with the optional CVT automatic transmission. The CVT system itself has been revised to deliver a more linear and refined response under acceleration.

The 130 PS petrol engine is offered as part of a new Dynamic grade, which adds a thinner front splitter beneath the lower grille, and triple-strike diffuser to the rear bumper – both finished with a sporty red accent line. Dynamic grade also includes LED headlights, front fog lamps, side sill skirts, a tailgate spoiler and gloss-black 185/55 R16 alloy wheels. The interior features a unique pinstripe pattern on the upholstery and a leather-wrapped steering wheel and gear knob, all of which are enhanced by orange stitching.

The new Honda Jazz retains the exceptional versatility of the previous model, including boot space

of 354 litres (up to 897 litres with the rear seats folded down) and passenger space that is unrivalled in the class. Honda's highly practical 60:40-split Magic Seat system allows for numerous cargo configurations, with a maximum interior loading length of 2,480 mm and maximum loading height of 1,280 mm.

Standard equipment on the Jazz includes cruise control, automatic headlights and the City-Brake Active safety system. Higher grades feature a 7-inch Honda Connect infotainment system, rear-view parking camera, keyless entry and start, as well as advanced safety technologies such as Forward Collision Warning, Lane

Departure Warning and Traffic Sign Recognition.

A 102 PS 1.3 i-VTEC petrol engine will continue to be available across all Jazz trim levels, apart from the new Sport grade.

The new-look Honda Jazz will be available to order from November across Europe, with deliveries starting in early 2018.



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## TVR celebrates 70th anniversary as new era dawns for hand-built engineering excellence

IN THE year that sees TVR celebrate its 70th anniversary, the company will proudly reveal a new sports car that

takes engineering excellence to a new level for the iconic manufacturer. The new TVR, to be unveiled to the public

at the Goodwood Revival Earls Court Motor Show, delivers an all-British design with outstanding integrity, rigidity, reliability and quality.

Founded in 1947 by Trevor Wilkinson, the company first developed its own chassis in 1949. Various model launches followed, including the iconic Grantura and the legendary V8 Griffith, which won acclaim during the 1950s and 1960s. It was during this period that TVRs also first began to appear on track, starting a motorsport heritage that continued for several decades, including several factory entries at Le Mans. With too many iconic models to list, and a genuinely dedicated following of enthusiasts, the anticipation for the new car is understandably extremely high.

Les Edgar, chairman of TVR says: "On the 70th birthday of our marque,

we are entering a new era with a precisely engineered car that delivers exhilarating performance on road and track, as well as everything discerning customers expect of a car intended for everyday use."

The TVR team has worked tirelessly on the development of the new TVR, alongside the specialist engineering team at Gordon Murray Design. The absolute priority has been to develop a car that is a masterpiece of engineering excellence, with every aspect of it designed to be class leading in its strength, reliability and functionality, yet simultaneously extremely lightweight and high performance in every way.

Gordon Murray says: "We developed the new TVR as a product that builds on all the magic and excitement of our hand-crafted British

motor cars of yesteryear. We combined this with a most rigorous engineering and assembly process design to ensure outstanding consistency, build quality and reliability."

The new car will be revealed in September with only a limited number of the Launch Edition vehicles still available for purchase. Existing customers who have already ordered the Launch Edition participated in a series of private previews earlier in the year, where the response was nothing less than rapturous.

Les Edgar: "Even some of the most sophisticated supercars end up with the look and feel of homogeneous, industrial, mass-produced vehicles. Here at TVR, we chose to take a route that allows us to deliver a unique, hand-crafted and genuinely bespoke car."



■ New TVR interior teaser shot

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# Quattro times two - Audi expands the Q2 all-wheel drive line-up

AUDI is broadening the appeal of its Q2 compact SUV this week with the addition of a new version notable not only as the most powerful in the range but also as the first petrol-powered model to be underpinned by surefooted quattro all-wheel-drive. Offered as an alternative to the 150PS 2.0 TDI quattro model which was introduced late last year, the new Q2 2.0 TFSI quattro 190PS S tronic is now available in S line and Edition #1 specification.

The new 2.0 TFSI produces the highest power output currently available in a Q2, facilitating acceleration to 62mph from rest in 6.5 seconds - the fastest sprint time in the range. Top speed also reaches an impressive 141mph.

Ensuring optimal traction and handling under any road conditions, the quattro system's electrohydraulically actuated

multi-plate clutch distributes torque continuously between the axles. Its seven-speed S tronic incorporates a freewheeling mode when the standard Audi drive select handling system is set to "efficiency" mode, and with the start-stop function, the engine already shuts off when speed drops to 4.3mph.

Both contribute to up to 44.8mpg combined and 144g/km when chosen in S line specification, and 44.1mpg combined in conjunction with 146g/km for the Edition #1, even on the 19-inch alloy wheels it is fitted with as standard.

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Regardless of whether the Q2 TFSI quattro is chosen as an S line or Edition #1, the high specification of both sets the already unique compact SUV apart from

the rest of the SE and Sport range. LED headlights, an LED interior lighting pack, S line interior and exterior styling cues, 18-inch alloy wheels, C-pillar blades in matt Titanium grey and front sports seats mark out the S line. This adds to the Audi Smartphone Interface, SD card-based MMI Navigation and Audi connect infotainment service package, light and rain sensors and Audi drive select already fitted as standard to all Sport models and above.

An altogether more impactful specification extends to the Edition #1 – a unique model in its own right. In addition to the 19-inch Audi Sport alloy wheels and Quantum grey paint, which is used exclusively here, a black styling pack and Manhattan grey contrast bumpers, wheel arch trims, side skirts and bumper in-

serts all serve to mark out this model from the rest. Brilliant black C-pillar blades featuring the Audi rings complete the look.

The interior is furnished with sports seats in Granite grey Fine Nappa leather with Amaretto

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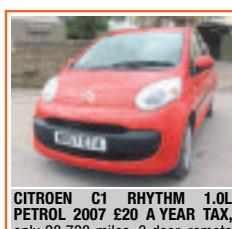
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**jack high bowls round-up**

# Ottery quartet retain Redfern trophy

**FENITON with Roger Smith**

THE Feniton mixed team maintained their place at the top of the table in the East of Exe League defeating OTTERY ST MARY twice in one week.

In the home match they won 68-58, the winning rinks were R Cooke, R Lovering, S Kury & A Kury 17-7, C Maynard, A Morgan, D Coyne & D Phillips 20-13 and P Goodwin, J Smith, J Skinner & K Lovering 19-18.

In the return match at Ottery they won 68-52 where the winning rinks were; P Goodwin, J Smith, J Skinner & K Lovering 24-9, A Evans, D Downs, D Sanders & D Phillips 17-14 and D Bowden, R Lovering, G Phillips & R Smith 15-12.

No play was possible in the over 60s men's triples league or the over 50s ladies league due to adverse weather conditions.

The mixed team lost a friendly 69-54 against SIDMOUTH, the only winning rink was G Skinner, D Bowden & A Smith 13-12.

The weekend was taken up with Club THREE-BOWL PAIRS competition. J Livings & D Phillips defeated G North & A Smith 12-9 in the final.

**OTTERY ST MARY with Mike Smith**

OTTERY'S first visitors of the week were PLYMSTOCK who were victorious 116-88, the best Ottery rink was Eric Richardson, Margaret Trayhurn, Frank Jones 7 skip Maureen Phillips 21-12.

Ottery then visited FENITON in the EEML where they went down 68-58 where the winning Ottery rink was Jan Richardson, Clive Russell, Tony Luff & skip Peter Jones 20-12.

Three days later Ottery were the hosts to FENITON, again in the EEML, and to rub salt in the wound they repeated the win 68-50, the winning Ottery rink this time was Dot Luff, Chris Hawke, John Pethick & skip Mike Smith 17-12.

A friendly fixture at EXONIA was lost 67-66, best Ottery rink was Maurice Flower, Sheila Camerlin, Frank Jones & skip Terri Ward 22-16.

There was a good week in the men's Over 60s league. The A team won 37-33

at TIVERTON WEST END with a 19-15 success for Steve Hall, John Ward & skip Mike Smith.

They followed this up with a 39-38 win at home to CULM VALE A, the winning Ottery rink was Tony Luff, Richard Bland & skip Terry House 19-16.

The B team were at home to TIVERTON WEST END C coming away with seven points with Tony Bushell, Norman Lawrence & skip Dave Rose winning 19-7.

The C team completed a successful week with a 41-28 home win over MARINA C, Ottery's winning rink was Eric Richardson, Frank Jones & skip Ken Dennis 27-10.

Ottery finished the week hosting the REDFERN TROPHY when an Ottery team of Charles Griffin, Pam Baker, Kevin Vernon & skip John Ward retained the Trophy with +15 shot difference.

**SEATON with Alan Nicholas**

SEATON began the week with a 80-47 win in a four-rink friendly match at home against CHARDSTOCK, top rink was; Hilary Sunderland, Reg Pluck, Dennis Ridd & Joan Miles (24-7).

The PRESIDENT'S CUP competition was played on August 5th. This is a four wood drawn singles competition played to 21 shots and the protagonists are the top eight players in the current year's Men's and Ladies Championships.

The competition is played to semi-finals on the one day, with the semi-finals and final played on Club Finals weekend. This year it will take place on 9th/10th September. The successful competitors were; Angie Mayhew, Maria Johnson, Roger Woolland and Dave Yardley.

Sunday 6th saw a four-rink friendly away at BRIDPORT. Unfortunately, Seaton lost 3-1 on rinks. Top rink was; Kevin McCarthy, Alan Nicholas, Liz Wilde & Peter Grigg (23-14).

On Monday 7th, the East of Exe Mixed League match at UFFCULME was lost 71-57. Top rink; Angie Mayhew, Peter Grigg, Terry Hurley-Smith & Les Tooze (20-13).

The friendly match at FENITON last Tuesday, was called off after just three

ends due to heavy rain.

On Wednesday the Ladies Over 50s Triples League Blue team won 59-17 at BUDLEIGH, top triple; Maria Johnson, Carol Armitage & Marian Vessey (30-7).

On the same day the Men's Over 60s Triples League teams were all due to be in action. The A team lost 2-1 at EXONIA A, top triple was; Roger Woolland, Terry Hurley-Smith & Don Yaxley.

The B team won 32-29 at NORTH TAWTON C, top triple; John Vieth, Bob Scull & Dave Yardley (19-11).

Unfortunately, bad weather caused the cancellation of the C team's home match against OTTERY C.

Finally, on Thursday, the Ladies Over 50s Triples League Red team took on BELMONT, in Exeter, losing 35-29, top triple; Margaret Nicholas, Liz Wilde & Ruby Grigg. A friendly match at CHARMOUGH, completed the week with Seaton claiming a good 57-35 win, top triple; Kevin McCarthy, Graham Thomas & Angie Mayhew.

**AXMINSTER with David Harris**

AXMINSTER started the recent period with an excellent 123-29 home win against CHARD, scores; Philippa White, Margaret Brown, Ken Quick & John Hill 41-6, Joan Quick, Morrison Brown, David Harris & Alfie Day 32-4, Valerie Mellor, Pam Clark, Sue Bond & Margaret Crompton 27-11 and Daphne Ryan, Mike Mellor, Ann Clayton & Nigel Bond (23-8).

The next friendly was away at TAUNTON DEANE where were beaten 73-53 our best effort being a 17-17 tie for Sue Bond, David Harris & Brian Clark.

Next up were DUNKESWELL where Ax came out on top 63-56 with an excellent 24-9 win for Joan Quick, Pam Clark & Alfie Day.

In the Men's Over 60s League the game at BRADNINCH was rained off, but the trip to CULM VALE brought a two-shot defeat with John Ellis, David Harris & Bob Sherborne managing a 15-15 tie.

**HONITON with Julie Grant**

HONITON bowlers managed a win in the East of Exe League but also suffered a loss.

Although losing 80-39 to CULM VALE Honiton did get a draw on one rink thanks to David Tooley, Maureen Willcock, DI Hawkins & Daphne Courtney.

The victory came against TIVERTON BOROUGH 75-69, best rink; Bob Mackintosh, Di Hawkins, Berry Maynard & Trevor Pipe (25-15).

In the Men's Over 60 league the A team gained two points against PINCES GARDENS, 18-14 by Malcolm Seaborne, Bill Nicholls & Mike Critchley.

Wet and cold weather at the NATIONALS greeted Janet Sherwood, Carole Binmore, Yvonne Rayner & Sue Evans.

But they overcame the conditions in their first round to beat Yorkshire but succumbed on their last end to lose to

he couldn't find a way past the experienced Duncan Mcleod on pole who eventually edged out Ryan in the second place to take the win by 0.83 of a second.

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The final was another wet affair and a P18 start tied into a mature drive in tricky conditions was converted to a P12 finish, he said: "To get through the day in such difficult conditions and not suffer any penalties was a result in itself but to finish P12 was brilliant and proof that karting is a sport for all ages!"

"It is a credit to the teams behind the scenes today, that despite the conditions, the race meeting has run faultlessly and without incident."



■ THREE WOOD FINALISTS: Feniton BC's Alan Smith, Glenys North, John Livings and Di Phillips

**Sussex.**

The Sussex team made an interesting mistake on their 20th end. The skip used her last wood to put the jack in the ditch and her bowl also a couple of feet away from the jack.

A Honiton bowl lay on the green also a couple of feet from the jack so the umpire was called on to measure.

She indicated the Sussex bowl as shot but as she lifted it from the ditch saw that it had not been marked and so was dead and Honiton's wood was declared shot.

The moral of this tale is always mark any wood which touches the jack especially if it ends up in the ditch!

**CHARD with Peter Avery**

THE week began with a disastrous 123-29 defeat on the artificial surface at Axminster.

The club then hosted South Petherton in the Wessex League and lost 70-66 with two winning rinks; Norman Connally, Barbara Ball & Stan Fowler (19-15), Barbara Nichols, Doug Hislop & Mike Nichols (21-13).

The Club's internal competitions concluded with a Finals Day last Sunday.

Teresa Pinder beat Kay Avery to win the Ladies' Singles; the Ladies 101 was played in a round-robin format and Barbara Ball won all of her games to secure the title.

In the Men's final Peter Avery edged out Mike Nichols 21-18 after 26 ends; Fred Ward & Maurice Wakeling won the Pairs 16-12 against Phil Stringer & Brian Smith.

The Triples also featured Fred and Maurice who combined with Maureen Fenwick to beat Kay Avery, Peter Avery & Stan Fowler 17-12.

The short mat team secured a 38-26 win over visitors Stoke-sub-Hamdon; The winning triples were Hilary Angold, Roy Vaux & David Angold (15-1) and Sheila Tinley, Ron Griffin & Ron Genge (10-5).

**CHARDSTOCK**

with Vaughan Fletcher

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Over 60s Triples Bowling League: Chardstock B at home to MADEIRA D 30-19; A Campbell, D Eldridge & W Kerr 17-7, J Keats, B Howard & T Dredge 13-12.

Chardstock A away at DUNKESWELL 37-36, M Rogers, K Wakelin & M Toms 20-13, P Compton, J Rolph & J Porter 17-23.

Chardstock B away to MORCHARD BISHOP B 32-30; A Campbell, A Waddington & W Kerr 19-16, J Keats, B Howard & T Dredge 13-14;

Chardstock A away at CREDITON B 34-34, M Copp, J Rolph & J Porter 24-11, M Rogers, P Compton & K Wakelin 10-23.

Friendly: Chardstock at home to Severalls Jubilee 59-59; N Barron, A Callaghan & J Pratt 11-16, C Bradford, J Porter & B Howard 23-9, P Waddington, R Pratt & J Rolph 11-13, V Barron, J Milford & E Rolph 14-21.

**MERRIOTT with Jean Crisp**

ON Thursday, August 3rd Merriott played a home league match against QUEEN CAMEL and gained 14 league points by winning 99-52.

Rink Scores: P.Stow, I.Kendall, A.Davies & A.Williams 17-19, R.Self, C.Truscott, J.Churchman & P.Williams 21-10, D.Baker, A.Truscott, C.Warnett & P.White 38-6, C.Parsons, N.Whitfield, C.Woods & D.Lewsey 23-17.

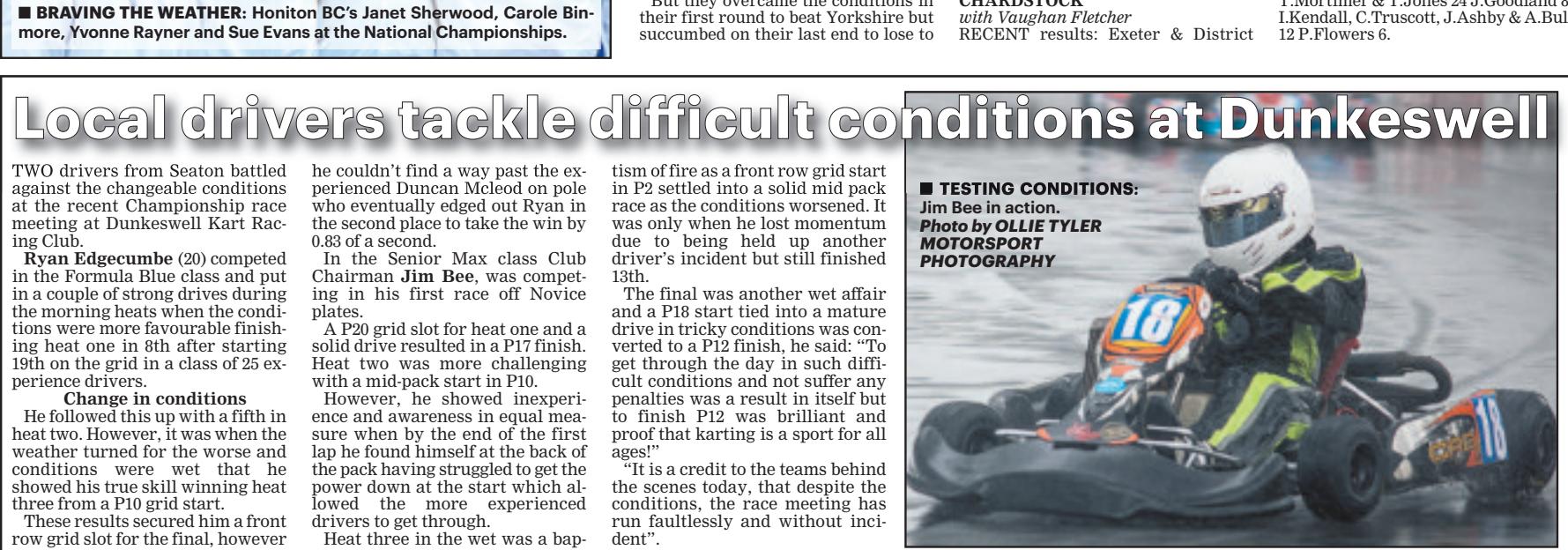
On Sunday, August 6th an away friendly at EASTOVER PARK was lost 64-56. Rink Scores: P.Stow, P.Melson, D.Lewsey & P.Williams 11-21, R.Self, P.White, J.Ashby & T.Mortimer 16-10, C.Woods, M.Alan, B.Dibble & D.Heathcote 14-14, C.Parsons, I.Kendall, A.Williams & J.Crisp 15-19.

Two days later another away friendly was played at YEOVIL. Rain interrupted the game after 16 ends with Merriott winning 80-30.

Rink Scores: D.Baker, C.Warnett, B.Dibble & M.Alan 23 P.Smith 6, C.Woods, P.White, J.Crisp & V.Bull 21 K.Woodham 10, A.Truscott, E.Rush, T.Mortimer & T.Jones 24 J.Goodland 8, I.Kendall, C.Truscott, J.Ashby & A.Bull 12 P.Flowers 6.



■ BRAVING THE WEATHER: Honiton BC's Janet Sherwood, Carole Binmore, Yvonne Rayner and Sue Evans at the National Championships.

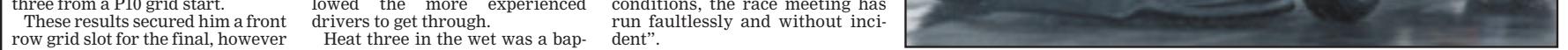
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# Mclean brothers rise to Roseland test

## HONITON RUNNING CLUB

*with Judy Davey*

THREE Honiton Running Club members recently made the short trip to West Bay for the fifth running of the Bridport Runners' Jurassic Coast 10k.

For the second year running a half marathon took place alongside the 10k. Howard Bidmead and Janice Newson took on the 10k whilst Mark Newson ran the half.

Both races started together and followed the same course with a steep climb on the coastal path towards Eype and then came Thorncome Hill, the second highest point on the south coast.

From here the half marathon route continued to Seatown and the 10k runners made their way back to West Bay and the finish.

Bidmead, who seems to have recovered from recent injuries, had a super run finishing eighth overall and first in the Over 60 category in 58 minutes 8 seconds.

Janice Newson found the hills tough but still had a great run finishing 48th in 1:16.23. There were 76 finish-

ers. The race was run by Adam Gale in 47.25.

Mark Newson continued his good form with a fine run in the half marathon finishing in 2:01.03 and 22nd overall. There were 78 finishers.

The half marathon was won by Ruth Barnes in 1:35.16 - a full seven minutes ahead of the second finisher and first male.

Last Friday four HRC runners took part in the Forest Flyer five-mile trail run at Haldon Woods. Mark Newson was first back for Honiton coming 25th in 35:42.

Anne Carter and Asilah Jarraud battled against each other throughout with the former coming 86th in 45:22 with Jarraud right behind in 45:45.

Rachel Hennessy felt a bit queasy during the run probably because she had given blood the night before but she did well to come 105th in 48:55.

## AXE VALLEY RUNNERS

*with Dave Mutter*

CLARE Hansford travelled to Swanage to compete in the 170-strong standard distance triathlon and was very pleased to finish 71st overall,

eighth lady and 1st V50 in her second attempt at this distance.

The 1500m swim in a calm Swanage Bay took 30:54, an undulating 40km bike 1:21:19, and a stunning but brutal 10km run up Purbeck ridge in 51:22 gave Clare a finishing time of 2:46:21.

Three AVR's contested the five-mile Shaves Cross mini marathon, a scenic mixed terrain race in the Marshwood Vale including a nice ascent up to the foot of Pilsdon Pen with a dash on undulating ground to finish.

Kevin Feeney was the first AVR home in 41:39 followed by David Cooke 43:00 and Sarah Shepley 46:35.

On Saturday Graham Newton ran the Horseshoe Sticklepath race, a self-navigating route across the high moorland of Dartmoor, crossing rough unmarked terrain with a climb of 1700 feet.

Graham was pleased, and more than a little relieved, to finish as first over 65 in 1:44:48, 22nd overall.

The race was won for a fourth time by another AVR, Tim Lenton, in an amazing

1:17:22.

## CHARD RUNNING CLUB

*with Paul Masters*

CRR's headed off to three events at the weekend.

Firstly it was down to Cornwall for the Roseland August Trail (RAT) followed by Sherborne for the Oxley Sprint Triathlon and lastly was a trip just a little further east to Salisbury 54321 Trail race.

Representing CRR's Coastal trail race were the McLean brothers Roddy and Stuart in the extremely tough 32 mile race crossing the line in 22nd/183 (Roddy 6h 7m 54s) and 24/183 (Stuart 6h 7m 58s).

Next in the White RAT was Fiona McLean who crossed the line 61st/124 2h 32m 53s.

It was then off to Sherborne with Stevie Potter and Celia Cohen taking part in the Sprint Triathlon 300m swim, 22k hilly cycle and 5k run.

Stevie crossed the line in a total time 1h 15m 12s 21/141 and 1st Woman while Celia came home 27th/141 in 1h 17m 13s (3rd Women).

The last event was the Sherbourne 54321 race se-



■ MARK Newson, Jane Newson and Howard Bidmead at the Jurassic Coast 10k

ries in which Paul Masters was the only CRR representative in the 50k (31 miles) trail Ultra Marathon crossing the line 61st/284 in 5h 11m 30s and second in age category.

## angling ilminster

## tee off golf

# Hopping in form again

ROUND eight of Ilminster AA's Summer League was fished in bright and sunny conditions by 13 anglers and the weights suffered, although double figures were still needed to frame.

Bill Hopping continued his good run of form with another victory, this time with 14lb of bream and skimmers from peg 20.

Adie Bishop was second with 10lb 14oz from peg 7 and Graham Field was third with loads of small fish weighing 10lb 7oz.

After eight matches, and dropping the two worst results, Hopping leads with nine points followed by Field on 12 and John Dursley and Bishop on 13.

Round nine is on Sunday, August 27th and the draw is at Ilminster Bowling Club between 8:30 and 9am, names to Steve Hurford.

Result: 1st Bill Hopping (Ilminster) 14lb, 2nd Adie Bishop (Taunton) 10lb 14oz, 3rd Graham Field (Taunton) 10lb 7oz.

Sections: A - Richard Studley (Ilminster) 4lb 8oz, B - Frank Woodard (Ilminster) - 9lb 4oz.

## cribbage axminster

### Results (August 7th)

Lamb Swans 1  
Axminster Con Club A 3,  
Cloakham Lawns 1  
Dolphin Beer 3,  
Axminster Con Club B 2 New Inn Kilmington 2.

### Beer League:

Lamb Swans 2  
Axminster Con Club A 4,  
Cloakham Lawns 3  
Dolphin Beer 3,  
Axminster Con Club B 2 New Inn Kilmington 4.

### League Table

| Team                 | Pld | Pts |
|----------------------|-----|-----|
| Dolphin Beer         | 10  | 23  |
| Axminster Con Club A | 10  | 22  |
| New Inn Kilmington   | 10  | 20  |
| Axminster Con Club B | 10  | 19  |
| Lamb Swans           | 10  | 18  |
| Cloakham Lawns       | 10  | 18  |

### Tony Rockett Beer Lge Pld Pts

| Team                 | Pld | Pts |
|----------------------|-----|-----|
| Lamb Swans           | 10  | 32  |
| New Inn Kilmington   | 10  | 32  |
| Cloakham Lawns       | 10  | 32  |
| Dolphin Beer         | 10  | 29  |
| Axminster Con Club B | 10  | 28  |
| Axminster Con Club A | 10  | 27  |

# Honours even with Enmore seniors

## HONITON with John Pawley

THE week started with the Seniors away match at ENMORE, always a popular venue. Mike Sennitt's team arrived with a 4-2 lead and 11 players - though David Scott did eventually turn up, just in time.

With good weather, and the course in its usual tip-top shape there was only the Enmore team to beat. A 4-2 loss took some of the gloss off making the overall result, a fitting 6-6 draw.

Last week's Tuesday Mixed competition was a Texas Scramble. In view of the weather forecast, the organisers had contingency plans should it be necessary to reduce the number of holes being played.

By the 10th hole each player had to have taken at least two tee shots, by the 14th it was three tee shots each, or five tee shots each over the whole course.

The forecast was totally accurate and the heavens opened in time for the competition to be reduced to 10 holes.

The winning team, with a net 26.7, was Vera Richardson, Sue Kelson, Alan Richardson & Paul Ritchie. In second place (27) were Linda Northover, Jan Portlock, Cyril Dann & John Northover. Taking third spot were Sally Chapman, Pam Knibb, Tom Chapman & Max Pipe (28.9).

Last week's event for the Ladies was a Flag competition where each competitor added her handicap allowance to par for the course (73) and this became the number of shots she was allowed to play.

Each competitor left her flag in the spot where her shots ran out, with the winner being the one farthest down the course.

Poor weather meant that some ladies declined playing, and those who did got thoroughly soaked.

The Silver division was won by Ann Trayling who put her flag out on the 1st (extra hole). Janet Hughes and Henrietta Bradshaw were next - both finishing on the 18th. Bronze 1 winner was Sharon

Rouse with Gill Johnson next. Bronze 2 winner was Cathy Pawley with Susan Hyde second.

Once again over 70 members turned out for the Seniors Texas Scramble on Friday - all of them getting in before the afternoon rain arrived.

Work on the course meant that only 17 holes were in play and with temporary greens, so a team game was suited to the conditions.

It was thought that there wouldn't be any 'twos' but no one told Peter Blake, so his two on the fourth earned him 48 new balls!

The winning team was Steve Butcher, Chris Street & Andy Dawe who scored 53.9 to beat Alan Devenny, Peter Blake & George Smith (55.1) and Mike Sennitt, Vic Wood & Tom Stanton (56.4). Fourth were the team of John Locke, Mike Delaney and Tony Proudfoot (58.5).

## CRICKET ST THOMAS

*with Bert Robinson*

A TOTAL of 37 Seniors braved the elements last Monday to enter the August qualifying medal competition.

Steady rain made the conditions difficult, and praise must go to the three players who returned below par scores.

Results: Division One: 1st Martin Leigh (67), 2nd Frank Martin (68), 3rd Keith Potter (72).

Division Two: 1st Richard Hall (68), 2nd Stuart Pope (72), 3rd Ian Fielder (73).

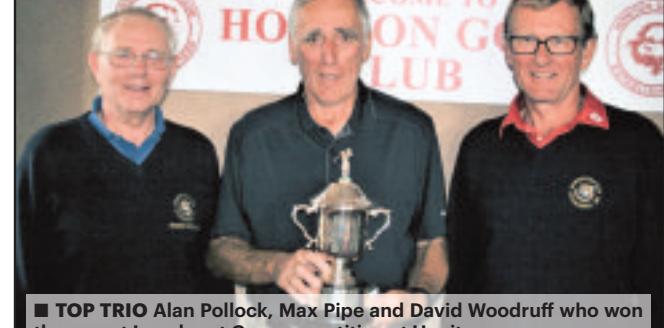
The rain continued into Wednesday when 33 members played in the Silver Salver Trophy.

The format was a three-man Texas scramble played over 18 holes.

No team managed a gross score of par due to the difficult conditions.

Barrie Heath's team posted a one over 71, but their lower handicap only saw them in second place. The honours went to Clive Fisk's trio with a gross 73.

Result: Winners - Clive Fisk;



■ TOP TRIO Alan Pollock, Max Pipe and David Woodruff who won the recent Longhurst Cup competition at Honiton.

Dave Taylor & Dave Walgrave 73-10.16 = 62.84. Runners up Barrie Heath; Richard Forster & Maurice Arnold 71-7.33 = 63.67. Third place Bob Barrow; Bert Robinson & Alan Davis 73-8.50 = 64.50

Friday's Club Championship was postponed ahead of time due to the adverse weather forecast.

However, the rain never materialised and 30 players entered an impromptu three-man 'Irish waltz'.

Two teams were clearly superior to the rest of the field and were runaway winners, both recording scores of 83 points, with Alan Davis's trio taking the spoils on the basis of a better back nine.

Result: 1st Alan Davis; Nobby Hodder & Maurice Arnold 83 points, 2nd Mike King; Dave Taylor & Alan Purcell 83, 3rd John Wandless; Barrie Singleton & Bryan Frost 78.

## AXE CLIFF with Peter Motson

The Mens section played their July Stableford, result - 1st Nigel Pritchard 40pts, 2nd Anthony Heller 36, 3rd Alex Gabb 35, Cyril Heller scored the only two.

August Medal - Division One - 1st Alex Todd nett 69, 2nd, Anthony Heller 70, 3rd, Stuart Mackie. Division Two - 1st Bradley Pryce nett

69, 2nd Gerry Binmore 72, 3rd Steve Wakely 73, there were four two's; Alex Todd, Anthony Heller, Richard Gibbons and Edd Busby.

The men played their Byrt Trophy on Saturday when an Axe Cliff member invites a member from another club to play with him, stableford format, 7/8ths handicap.

The trophy goes to the best pair and also there is a prize for the best home and away individual score.

Result: 1st pair, Steve Baker & Tristian Wakeley (Lyme Regis) 73pts, 2nd pair Alan Kenworthy & Bill Kitchen (Dainton Park) 66, 3rd Jason Farrant & Mark Ward (Cricket St Thomas) 65.

The best home player was Nigel Pritchard with 36pts and the best away player was Steve Bull with 34. There were three two's, by Jason Farrant, Nigel Pritchard and Alan Kenworthy.

Last Wednesday the Ladies competed in their Flag competition, a stroke play format finishing once a player had reached par of the course plus handicap strokes.

It was a closely fought competition between Margaret Kenchington, Helen Gaudie and Sandra Walker who all got to the 17th hole but with Sandra closest to holing out and so taking the honours.

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■ FIRST PLACE: Axe Valley Runners' Clare Hansford at Swanage Triathlon - see inside

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## Local swimmers support RNLI

CHARD & District Swimming Club had a great turnout of local swimmers and holiday members in the recent RNLI Lifeboat Week sea challenge swim in Lyme Regis, swimming from Cobb Gate to North Wall, a distance of approximately 450 metres.

Members, some of who were making their open water debuts, ranged in ages from as young as six to 13 in the junior swim, and from 15 to 50 plus in the adult category.

Millie Downes 13, was first girl in the junior swim, and Jimmy Brett, also 13, was first boy.

Others taking part in the junior swim included Phoebe & Saffron Clark 13, Alice Clark 11, Henry Birchall 10, William Birchall 8, Ellie Birchall 6, Jack Pellow 12, Isabella Pellow 10, Emily Yates 12.

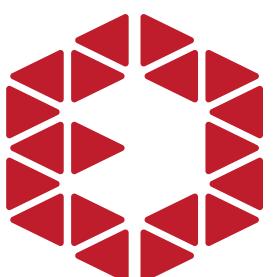
In the adult swim, coach Malcolm Greenslade came in first, with others finishing in the top few including Paul Harrison, 18, Simon Davis 15, Ollie Thorogood 21 and Flo Swan, 18, and other members taking part were Hope Horsfield 18, and Lauren Harrison, 20.



■ GREAT FUN: The junior members pictured on the Cobb North Wall, back row from left: Jack Pellow, Alice, Saffron & Phoebe Clark, Millie Downes, Abi Greenslade, Jimmy Brett, Emily Yates. Front: Isabella Pellow, Henry Birchall, William Birchall.

Anyone interested in finding out more about competitive swimming with the club, who train at Flamingo Pool, Axminster,

Chard Kingfisher Pool and Crewkerne Aqua Centre can find details on our website at [www.chardswimming.co.uk](http://www.chardswimming.co.uk)



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